

A DAY AMONG OUR POOR AS SEEN BY "GOOD OLD BERRY"

Humane Agent Narrates
Pathetic Incidents of
Yesterday's Visits in
His Routine of Duty

A PLAIN TALE OF SORROW

Saddening Scenes in Poverty-
Stricken Homes on the
Eve of Christmas Holi-
days Depicted

"Hello! The Tribune?"
"Yes, The Tribune."
"A woman near here with two ba-
bles is sick, and they haven't a bit
of fuel or food in the house. I just
took over a bucket of coal to warm
them. Can't something be done?"
"You bet!" said The Tribune man.
Then he called Humane Agent, Ber-
ry, and in an hour there was a fire
and food in that house. The good
woman who called up and who built
the fire with a bucket of her own
refused to disclose her identity, but
we know she is a Good Samaritan.

Help the Associated Charities with
money, fuel, clothing and food.
Help the Anti-Tuberculosis fund by
buying Christmas stamps.
Help the Good Cheer plan by send-
ing the Tribune Christmas stockings.
Help the City Mission by sending
clips for the poor children's Christ-
mas dinner.—Berry.

Editor of Tribune:
Let me thank the good people of
La Crosse for the good people of
La Crosse. There was a
response yesterday, which shows
the list of contributions sent you
yesterday. However, there is yet much
to be done. Many hungry
people to feed, many shivering wo-
men and children to provide fuel
and clothing for. I want to echo,
emphatically, the message you
sent out for last night:
We want money!
We want staple foods!
We want fuel!
We want shoes!
We want clothing!
We want underclothing for women
and children!

We want stockings.
What people see, they know, and I
wished I could take a thousand
of our citizens about with me upon
my rounds among the needy. It would
be a happy trip, but it would do
a world of good, for we are all in-
clined to shirk the sight of misery.
"Come Take a Walk With Me."
But of course I can't take the peo-
ple about with me, so I have decided
to try in this story to have them
with me, to show them the things I
saw and the black hand of poverty
come to me in my sleep to strangle
me, until the demons of cold and
hunger rise up before me like dra-
gons of the night, grinning leeringly
at me over the emaciated bodies of
starving victims.

Yesterday I entered a home to
which I was directed by the call of a
neighbor. You weren't there, but
you had been there. You would have
seen a mother in the later stages of
consumption. About her three children
were shivering in that cheerless
room, underfed, ragged, upon their
pinched look that made me
shudder in their symptoms show-
ing the great White Plague had al-
ready fired his trail of death upon
them. I could feed them; I could
buy them clothes; I could bring them
out of that gloom. But I COULDN'T WIPE OUT
THE GERMS OF THAT DREAD
DISEASE, EXHALED BY THEM
IN THE EXPECTORATION OF THAT
DOOMED WOMAN. There was
want in that home—hunger and cold
—but still worse, THERE WAS
DEATH STALKING TRIUMPHANT
THERE, and a woman and three lit-
tle ones were its marked victims.

The moral to this is "BUY
CHRISTMAS STAMPS."

THE WEEK FINANCIAL

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—The week-
ly statement of the associated banks
shows as follows:
Reserve on all deposits, increase,
\$1,500.
Reserve on deposits, other than
Federal States, increase, \$493,350.
Loans, increase, \$9,554,800.
Deposits, increase, \$2,149,900.
Capital, increase, \$1,731,300.
Assets, increase, \$13,601,300.
Liabilities, decrease, \$132,200.
Total assets \$12,669,100.
Total liabilities \$12,536,900.
Surplus of the banks is \$10,875,
against \$12,583,575 last year.
Total deficit two years

SUGAR TRUST IS GUILTY OF FRAUD AGAINST GOV'T

Verdict Is Given Against
Five Employees of Ameri-
can Sugar Refining Co.
Sentence Deferred

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—The sen-
tencing of the five former employes
of the American Sugar Refining Co.,
convicted yesterday of conspiracy to
defraud the government in connec-
tion with the weighing of sugar im-
ported by the trust, was deferred to-
day by Judge Martin in the federal
court until January 8. Attorneys
for the men will file motions for a
new trial. It has been expected by
the men that they would be senten-
ced today inasmuch as Judge Martin
had announced he would return to
New England tonight but counsel for
the men conferred with the prosecu-
tor Stimson and it was the latter that
suggested to the court that the sen-
tencing could go over until after New
Years.

The four checkers were released
on bail of \$2,500 each and Oliver
Spitzer's bail was increased to \$10,
000.

Judge Martin announced in defer-
ring sentence that he would take in-
to consideration in sentencing the
men the recommendation of the jury
to mercy.

The convicted men with their
counsel and former Cashier Bender-
nager regarding whose guilt the jury
could not agree, were in court early
prepared to have sentence imposed
should the efforts of their counsel
for a new trial fail.

JUANITI CLUB IS A GOOD CHEER CLUB

Of the scores of contributions
to the stocking fund of The
Tribune's GOOD CHEER cam-
paign, none has been character-
ized by greater thoughtfulness
than that which marked the
fine gift received today from
The Juaniti Sewing Club.
Twelve stockings, every one
of which were filled with the
care and solicitude of a mother
constituted the gift, and to each
filled stocking was attached
its empty mate, so the recipient
might have a pair to wear.
That means twelve happy chil-
dren Christmas—perhaps hap-
pier than they have ever been
before in their lives.

healthy as could be expected. There
was a dying fire in the rickety stove,
BUT NO MORE FUEL. The children
had soiled and patched but ragged
outer garments, only partially in a
serviceable condition. BUT A FEW
RAGS SERVED FOR UNDERWEAR.
There was a half loaf of bread in the
house, BUT NO FLOUR OR MEAT,
AND NOT ONE CENT OF MONEY.
Thanks to the generosity of our La
Crosse public, I could help these peo-
ple. I had no trouble to find outer
clothing for them, and I managed
to rig them up some underclothing
and partly worn shoes, BUT I FOUND
MYSELF VERY SHORT ON BOTH
OF THESE. Moreover, I COULD
SEND HER BUT ENOUGH FUEL
FOR A FEW DAYS, because we dare
not give much in any one place ow-
ing to the fact that the supply is lim-
ited.

The moral is, SEND US FUEL, UN-
DERCLOTHING AND SHOES. Or,
better still, SEND US MONEY, for
with money we can fill every want.

In another home to which I was
called, I found a boy and girl under
the teens, and a baby whose mother
had died in giving it birth. The
father, a cripple, was doing his best
to care for them. Their clothing was
patched and not too clean (for the
mother's care is always missed), and
there was a meager fire. The father
said he could keep them in bread
and potatoes, but would have some
help in the way of fuel. There was
not in this dreary house A SINGLE
TOY, and the grieving man told me
there could be no Christmas gifts or
Christmas dinner. As I looked into
the brave, pinched little faces of
these children—the boy who worked
in his hours out of school, the girl
a little mother to her orphaned baby
sister—I thought what joys of child-
hood they were missing in their din-
gry, small-windowed home, and it
came to me that there was a double
moral. It is this:

Send a Christmas stocking to
The Tribune for its GOOD
CHEER distribution, that these
little ones may know the joy of
Christmas!

Send turkeys, chicken, any
wholesome foods for a Christ-
mas dinner to Supt. Norton of
the City Mission, to help him
feed four hundred of these chil-
dren Christmas day!

Take this story home with you,
and ponder it. It is not the narrative
of a sentimentalist, but the story of
a thick-skinned, hard-headed old
man who, had he he eloquence, might
have put into these sad little inci-
dents an ocean of pathos that would
have brought you all to your knees in
tears.

THE MEN OF THE HOUR IN NICARAGUA



Left to right, Captain Kellogg of the Prairie; Admiral Kimball, in charge
of all movements in Nicaragua, and Colonel Mahoney. The picture
was taken especially for this paper on the deck of the Prairie as she
left Philadelphia for Nicaragua.

Nicaragua Parallels in Facts Leading to Spanish-Ameri- can War

FACTS WHICH CAUSED THE CUBAN WAR

People oppressed by Spanish
government.
Popular sympathy of the
United States with Cuba.
Spanish government absolute-
ly unable to put down Cuban
rebellion.
Spain makes overtures, but
people have refused to accept
anything short of independence.
American warship (The
Maine) ordered to Havana to
protect American interests and
citizens.

Maine blown up precipitating war.

Parallels and Facts in Nicara- guan Situation Today

People oppressed by Zelayan
government.
Popular sympathy of the
United States with revolutionists.
Zelayan government apparent-
ly unable to cope with situation.
Zelaya offers to resign but re-
volutionists refuse to accept
anything short of surrender.
American warships ordered
to Nicaraguan ports to protect
American interests and citizens.
Two Americans slaughtered.

LA CROSSE LOOKS GOOD TO S. A. RASK

Minnesota Banker Writes
that the Industrial Cor-
poration Means Big
Things for City

The following letter from Sam A.
Rask, formerly of La Crosse and
now postmaster of Blooming Prairie,
Minn., and cashier of the First Na-
tional Bank of that city, in which he
expresses appreciation of the orga-
nization here of the new Industrial
corporation, was received by a La
Crosse business man today:

"I have been reading with no lit-
tle interest the account in the La
Crosse Tribune in regard to the new
Industrial corporation that has been
launched, and I wish to congratulate
La Crosse upon the successful culmi-
nation of the ideas. There is no
doubt in my mind as to the value of
such an organization in the upbuild-
ing of La Crosse.

"Nature and circumstances have
bountifully endowed 'our' old city
with the opportunity to become the
gateway to a vast fertile territory,
rich in the products of the soil.

"I feel that I am indebted to La
Crosse for many things, and there-
fore I want to be in on this proposi-
tion. You may put me down on your
list for \$200.00, and draw on me for
the required amount upon organiza-
tion. The sum is not large, but I
only wish to evidence the fact that
my heart is in the right place.

"Again wishing you success in the
undertaking, I am,
"Very sincerely yours,
"SAM A. RASK."

THE GOOD SAMARITANS

A gift of \$100 was the climax to
today's help for the poor. It was
sent by a generous citizen who de-
clined to permit his identity to be
known.
The list was added to all round to-
day, the new cash contributions
reaching \$130 and making a total to
date of \$157. The list follows:
Parks Cloak Company\$10.00
Charles Beychlag 10.00
S. Y. Hyde 5.00
Mrs. Marg. Conladi, Bangor... 9.00
Anonymous 15.00
Hebbard & Co. 5.00
Saengerfest Association 20.00
Friend 1.00
Citizen 100.00
Total\$175.00

Whitebreast Coal Co., 2 1-2 tons
coal.
La Crosse Can Co., 5 cords wood.
Fifty pounds of beef, Mrs. Wilson.
Box of children's books.
Toys.
Eight complete new outfits of
children's clothing by Olive Moe (12
years old) Hokah, Minn.

Ladies of Congregational church,
clothing for children.
Mrs. David Austin 115 North Sev-
enth, clothing and dishes.

Mrs. Robert Campbell, North Elev-
enth, playthings and clothing.
Mrs. Ernest, 405 North Fourth,
clothing.

Mr. L. Specht, 814 Eouth Eighth,
clothing and playthings.

Mrs. L. Specht, 814 South Eighth,
meat and books.
Mrs. Walker, 317 South Eighth,
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JOSEPH BERGEN, LOCAL DEFAULTER, IS ARRESTED ON BIGAMY CHARGE

SLY TRUST AT SHUTE FEATURE

His Objections to Girl From
Rector's Verse in Song
at the Home Talent
Show

The sum realized for the bene-
fit of the Anti-Tuberculosis as-
sociation last night was small
according to information given
out this morning, and it not near
what so popular a cause was ex-
pected to make.

While the figures have not
been completed it is known that
but little over \$300 was taken
in, less than one-half of the
Home of the Friendless benefit
receipts. After expenses are
paid the balance will not be
large.

The Rev. Lincoln A. Shute, pastor
of the First M. E. church, came in
for honorary mention during the "I
Can't Do that Sum" song in "Up and
Down Broadway," given at the the-
ater last night for the benefit of the
Wisconsin Anti-Tuberculosis associa-
tion.

The song, which is taken from the
comic opera success, "Babes in Toy-
land," was sung by Donald McDon-
ald and Miss Elsie Ott and after re-
peated encores Mr. McDonald sang
the verse which set the audience roar-
ing.

Here it is:
"If on this stage tonight you saw
A wild Salome dance,
And Rev. Shute should sit quite mute
And watch the lady prance,
And if the Girl From Rector's blushed
As she was standing by,
Would you subtract or multiply
To find the reason why?"

This verse was followed by others
of local interest but none scored the
hit of the reference to the La Crosse
minister who is opposed to theatri-
cals.

The play itself is said by many to
eclipse the production put on recent-

MISS LENA WEIMER



The La Crosse soloist who sang the
"Glow Worm" song to great advan-
tage in "Up and Down Broadway."

ly for the benefit of the Home for
the Friendless but the proceeds for
the tuberculosis fund are not up to
what was expected.

Society turned out with people
from every walk in life and the num-
bers were applauded from the open-
ing chorus until "Confetti" the
final.

Serpentine confetti was distributed
to people in the audience and during
the last number it was thrown back
and forth from the stage and audi-
ence.

The opening chorus, "Le Fete
Champetre," followed a fitting pro-
troduction and was a dainty and be-
witching piece. The Misses Grace
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IS COUNTRY LOYAL TO TAFT POLICIES?

Big Magazine Takes Straw
Ballot of 22,000 Represen-
tative Citizens; Shows
Cannon Unpopular

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—A decid-
edly interesting and in some particu-
lars sensational "straw ballot" ap-
parently indicating that the country
while still loyal to President Taft is
backing up the so-called "Insur-
gent" movement directed against
Speaker Cannon and Senate Leader
Aldrich, will appear next week in
the January number of Success. Par-
ticular interest attaches to the vote
that was taken from among the 22-
500 life subscribers of the magazine,
because of the fact that a similar
poll taken last fall enabled "Success"
to predict nearly a month before elec-
tion practically the exact elec-
toral vote received by President
Taft.

Of the more than 22,000 persons
polled, a representative citizenship
scattered over the entire country,
13,102 replied. Of these 8,360 classed
themselves as republicans; 3,215
as democrats, and 1,529 as independ-
ents, prohibitionists or members of
other parties. Practically every state
in the union was represented in the
straw vote.

To Feel Pulse of Nation

On Nov. 9 Success mailed to its life
subscribers a letter and a ballot
containing questions designed to feel
the public pulse on the matter of
President Taft's popularity; the popu-
lar opinion of the new tariff bill,
the political standing of Aldrich and
Cannon, and the strength of the sup-
port of the "Insurgent" movement.
The letter called attention to the fact
that the president on his recent tour
of the west had given his position
both as to past and present legisla-
tion and that present congressmen
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THE ROLL OF HONOR

Subscribed today\$ 2,500
Total to date\$4,800
Balance wanted15,200
Subscribers today:

Fred Kroner Hdw. Co.,
\$500.
Boyer-Furber Furniture
Co., \$200.
Sam A. Rask, \$200.
Joseph Miller, \$200.
Ruplin Baking Co., \$200.
Rev. Dean White, \$200.
Otto A. Mueller, \$200.
Dr. W. M. Colleran, \$100.
Dr. R. R. Schaettler, \$100.
F. M. Branson & Son, \$100.
E. W. Parker, \$100.
Peter Nelson, \$100.
J. E. Geiwitz, \$100.
Geo. E. Mariner, \$100.
Tom A. Lavake, \$100.
Total—\$2,500.

The committee employed in secur-
ing subscriptions to the \$100,000 in-
dustrial corporation stock met with
even greater success than yesterday,
despite the cold weather. While
\$2,300 was subscribed yesterday, the
amount was increased by \$200 this
morning, a total of \$2,500 being ad-
ded to the sum now subscribed, mak-
ing a total of \$4,800, which leaves
only \$15,200 to be secured before the
full \$100,000 of stock will have been
disposed of.

The Fred Kroner Hardware Com-
pany heads the list today with a sub-
scription for \$500 worth of the stock,
while there are six \$200 subscriptions
and eight for \$100 each.

SUBSCRIBERS OF \$5,000.

F. P. Hixon.
John Gude Brewing Co.
C. L. Colman Lumber Co.
Joseph M. Hixon.
Elsie Gile Scott.
L. F. Easton.
William Doerflinger Co.

SUBSCRIBERS OF \$2,500.

G. Heileman Brewing Co.

SUBSCRIBERS OF \$2,000.

Segelke & Kohlhaus Mfg. Co.

SUBSCRIBERS OF \$1,000.

G. Van Steenwyk.
A. W. Pettibone.
George and Leonard Zeisler.
C. & J. Michel Brewing Co.
La Crosse Plow Co.
F. A. Copeland.
E. E. Bentley.
Linker Realty Co.
E. R. Barron Co.
Rt. Rev. Bishop Schwebach.
Bryant-Sisson Co.
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WEDDED BERTHA CUMMINGS HERE

Then Went to Iowa, where
He Is Said to Have
Annexed More New
Wives

"BUSINESS" KEPT 'EM EASY

Each Thought Bergen was a
Busy Man, but Last
"Papa" Got Wise to
the Game

Joseph Bergen, who a few years
ago married Miss Bertha Cummings,
daughter of T. W. Cummings of this
city, and later left with his family
for Burlington, Iowa, because of fi-
nancial difficulty he got into while
employed by John Dengler, was ar-
rested in Iowa yesterday and taken
to Joliet, Ill., to answer to a charge
of bigamy. According to accounts
Bergen was the busiest bigamist on
record, and kept his wives in igno-
rance of each other's existence by
pleading "business" in explanation of
his long absences from his various
homes.

Bergen was well known in La
Crosse a few years ago, he was a
member of Company M, under Cap-
tain C. H. Rawlinson, and will be
remembered as causing somewhat of
a sensation by being followed to
Camp Douglas during one of the
encampments by a notorious girl,
who made a scene by fainting on the
parade grounds, when she was in-
formed he was about to wed Miss
Cummings.

Bergen was married to Miss Cum-
mings about nine years ago, and they
had two children, seven and eight
years of age. Soon thereafter Ber-
gen got into trouble at the Dengler
Cigar factory where he was employ-
ed and went with his family to Bur-
lington, Ia.

Of late "business interests" have
kept Bergen traveling almost con-
stantly between Iowa and Illinois
to take care of two wives, and to
conceal from each the existence of
the other.

Arrested in Home No. 1

Investigation of the rush of "busi-
ness" which kept Bergen in such a
state of constant hustle and bustle
by the family of Mrs. Bergen No. 2
led to the arrest of the Iowa mer-
chant as he sat talking to his first
wife and two children in his home
in Burlington.

That Bergen married a third wo-
man, who died before he contracted
the last and unlucky union which led
to the baring of his double life, is
the accusation which will be brought
before the next grand jury. Bergen
was given his freedom on bonds of
\$5,000.

Left Bride After Wedding

Bergen was married recently to
Miss Olive Lord, a prominent young
woman of Plainfield, Ill., and who
is also well known in Aurora, where
she formerly resided. Bergen repre-
sented to his young wife that he had
business interests which necessitat-
ed his being on the road, particu-
larly in Burlington, Iowa. He left his
bride on the day after their marriage
for several weeks and returned at
intervals, giving pressing business as
the reason for his absence.

Fred S. Lord, father of the bride,
became suspicious and took the mat-
ter up with the state's attorney.

It was found that Bergen was liv-
ing with his first wife and two chil-
dren. It has developed that Bergen
married his first wife in La Crosse,
Married at DeKalb.

Bergen then appeared in De Kalb,
Ill., and courted a well known young
woman of that city and married her.
She, however, died shortly after,
without learning that Bergen had a
wife and family residing in La Crosse.

Miss Lord was a friend of the sec-
ond Mrs. Bergen, and to her Bergen
paid court, often visiting her in Au-
rora, where she lived at the time.
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THE WEATHER

Coldest at La
Crosse, 12 be-
low; warmest, 9
above; wind at 7
a. m., 4 miles an
hour; precipita-
tion, none.
Forecasts to-
day:
For Wisconsin:
Fair tonight; Sun-
day cloudy with
slowly rising tem-
perature.
For Minnesota:
Partly cloudy to-
night and Sunday; rising tempera-
ture Sunday and south and west por-
tions tonight.
For Iowa: Fair tonight and Sun-
day; rising temperature Sunday and
north and west portions tonight.

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HARD ON STRIKERS

SYDNEY, N. S. W., Dec. 18.—Any person who foments labor troubles ending in a strike or lockout, or assists in fomenting such discord will hereafter be liable to imprisonment for one year. A bill imposing such a penalty passed the legislature today.

CONGRESS' RECESS

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 17.—The senate has adopted the concurrent resolution, previously passed by house, providing that the holiday recess shall begin Dec. 21 and continue until Jan. 4.

Rheumatism

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SPORTS

RECORDS BREAK IN AUTO RACES

Christie, Strang and Motzinger Break Many Marks; Cold Snap Bothers Racers Considerably

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 18.—Local automobile enthusiasts are today discussing the record speed trials at the motor speedway when despite the cold four world's records were shattered. All the world's records for stock chassis cars from one to twenty miles were broken by John Aitken in a National. His time for the twenty miles was 16:18.41 which was six seconds better than the Atlanta race course mark made by Chevrolet in a Buick.

In the next stock chassis class, that of 450 to 600 cubic inches piston displacement, he broke the record of 16:27.79 made by Herbertson in a Fiat at Atlanta. Walter Christie in his freak racer, established a new American record for a quarter mile, his time being :08.78, or a speed of 103 miles an hour. Motzinger, in his Empire, got a world's record for cars in the 160 cubic inches piston displacement by going 20 miles in 25:50.23. Louis Strang, in his Fiat, beat the Barney Oldfield record of 43.9 for a mile made on the local course by doing a mile in 40.61.

In a special trial for a mile which was granted Aitken in his National he made the time in :45 flat. Considerable trouble, because of the cold, was experienced by the drivers with their machines in the lubrication, water and brakes. Many of the drivers were numb and were unable to crawl out of their cars when they shut off the power. Strang had his face frozen.

Because of the cold the speed trials for today have been cancelled but Strang and Christie will attempt to slash records for everything up to five miles.

If troubled with indigestion, constipation, no appetite or feel bilious, give Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets a trial and you will be pleased with the result. These tablets invigorate the stomach and liver and strengthen the digestion.

STOVALL TO PLAY WITH WHITE SOX

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—George Stovall, first baseman of the Cleveland Americans, will probably be a member of the Chicago White Sox next season.

This was the statement made today by President Comiskey following his return from the American league meeting in New York. Comiskey would not say what player would be traded for Stovall but did say it would not be Parent, though the Naps are anxious to secure the latter.

"If we can satisfy Jim McGuire with some player other than Parent," said Comiskey "Stovall will probably play in Chicago. We think we can satisfy Jim."

FOUR GAMES IN BODEGA TOURNNEY

Yesterday was another quiet day among the local billiardists but four games being played in the tournament at the Bodega Annex. Following are the results:

	Handicap.	Made
De Graff	125	125
Brayton	100	54
Ruprecht	50	50
Peterson	75	64
Byington	75	75
Harzor	35	33
Peterson	75	75
Gus Rose	75	72

RYAN SEES BEATING AHEAD FOR JEFF

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Dec. 18.—If James J. Jeffries defeats Jack Johnson, the result will surprise Tommy Ryan, former middleweight champion, who gave Jeffries many scientific points in his championship days. Ryan is generally credited with inventing for Jeffries the famous crouch position which, Ryan says, prevented the sledge hammer blows of Fitzsimmons from landing on vulnerable spots on the big boiler maker.

BOWLERS HOLD MEETING FRIDAY

Bowlers held a meeting at Hunt's alleys last night and decided to send teams to the St. Paul International Congress tournaments at St. Paul in February. La Crosse will be entered in the five-men and three-men events and F. Growbowski and Nick Bartel will be in the doubles.

CHICAGO SUICIDE RESPECTED

BIG RAPIDS, Mich., Dec. 18.—Miss Lillian Zeller, the unfortunate young girl, was well known here, being the daughter of J. W. Zeller, Sanborn avenue, a former police official. She was a graduate of the stenographic department of the Ferris institute but left about six years ago for Chicago, where she secured employment.

"BIG EIGHT" WAR ON THE GOPHERS

Other Conference Schools Sore at Minnesota Because of Game with Michigan

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—The university of Minnesota may be dropped from the maroon's football schedule if the Gophers hold to their agreement to play Michigan again while the Ann Arborites are out of the conference.

This was the report on the Midway yesterday and came from persons in touch with the situation at Chicago, who declared that members of the athletic board did not like Minnesota's action in signing up with the Wolverines while they were on the outs with other schools of the conference. As the contract between the Gophers and Wolverines provides for a game to be played at Ann Arbor next fall, Midway athletic authorities will have a chance to show whether or not they "mean it" unless Michigan is taken back into the fold at the western body's session here next week.

A Policeman's Testimony
J. N. Paterson, night policeman of Nashua, Iowa, writes: "Last winter I had a bad cold on my lungs and tried at least half a dozen advertised cough medicines and had treatment from two physicians without getting any benefit. A friend recommended Foley's Honey and Tar and two-thirds of a bottle cured me. I consider it the greatest cough and lung medicine in the world." O. T. Erhart.



James L. Davenport, New Commissioner of Pensions.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The new commissioner of pensions, James L. Davenport, is not going to "Osterize" the department. He said so today. He is going to give every man in the employ of the department a chance to "make good" and then choose his staff from the most capable men and women. There is one man in the department over 80 years of age and Mr. Davenport says he is one of the most valuable men in the government service.

The new commissioner has seen the heads of the department come and go for years. He has grown up in the pension service and now that he has reached his life goal he is setting about the work of reorganizing the department according to his own ideas. At the present time there are about 1,300 clerks in the bureau 400 of whom are women. When they filed past the new commissioner the other morning to congratulate him he was able to call almost of them by name. Mr. Davenport was born in Hinesdale, N. Y., in 1845. He received his early education in the district school and later attended the famous old Battleboro academy. When the war between the states be-

GRAY HAIRS BANISHED.

The old idea of using sage for darkening the hair is again coming in vogue. Our grandmothers used to have dark, glossy hair at the age of seventy-five, while our mothers have white hair before they are fifty. Our grandmothers used to make a "sage tea" and apply it to their hair. The tea made their hair soft and glossy and gradually restored the natural color. One objection to using such a preparation was the trouble of making it, especially as it had to be made every two or three days on account of its souring quickly. This objection has been overcome and by asking almost any first-class druggist for Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur the public can get a superior preparation of sage, with the admixture of sulphur, another valuable remedy for hair and scalp troubles. Daily use of this preparation will not only quickly restore the color of the hair but will also stop the hair from falling out and make it grow. It is sold by all druggists for 50c. and \$1.00 a bottle, or is sent direct by the Wyeth Chemical Company, 74 Cortlandt St., New York City, upon receipt of price.

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WHERE IS THE MAN

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can he made several ineffectual attempts to enlist in the United States Army. He went to Wisconsin in 1864 and enlisted in Co. B, Fortieth Wisconsin volunteers. Later he was discharged on account of illness. In 1881 he came to the pension bureau and served in many grades until 1897, when he was made first deputy commissioner. He lives with his family on Wayne avenue.

After exposure, and when you feel a cold coming on, take Foley's Honey and Tar, the great throat and lung remedy. It stops the cough, relieves the congestion, and expels the cold from your system. Is mildly laxative. Refuse substitutes. O. T. Erhart.

YEOMEN CHRISTMAS TREE

The Brotherhood of American Yeomen have given over their next meeting Thursday, Dec. 23rd to Santa Claus who will hold forth at the hall for all the Yeomen children and

parents. A beautiful tree will be decorated as well as the hall, and everything done to make this a time to be remembered by all who attend. Refreshments and a fine program will be given. The red are in the lead in the Yeomen contest.

The card party which was given by Rowena Circle Brotherhood of American Yeomen last Tuesday evening was attended by one hundred and fifty people. Thirty-two tables of cinch was played after which there was dancing. Prizes were won by Mesdames Rosberg, Raseman, Berndt and Henry Drake. Mr. Wold and Mr. Clark captured the boobies. Refreshments were served. The Circle will give their next evening card party Tuesday evening, Dec. 28th.

The Circle will hold their regular meeting Tuesday evening, on Tuesday afternoon Dec. 21st, and complete all arrangements for their open installation and moving picture show to be held Tuesday evening, Jan. 11. After the business session there will be card playing and refreshments.

A few minutes delay in treating some cases of croup, even the length of time it takes to go for a doctor often proves dangerous. The safest way is to keep Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in the house, and at the first indication of croup give the child a dose. Pleasant to take and always cures.

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Tuesday	7,718	Wednesday	7,754
Wednesday	7,718	Thursday	7,757
Thursday	7,721	Friday	7,756
Friday	7,722	Saturday	7,753
Saturday	7,722	Sunday	
Sunday		Monday	7,756
Monday	7,723	Tuesday	7,759
Tuesday	7,752	Wednesday	7,786
Wednesday	7,728	Thursday	7,776
Thursday	7,726	Friday	7,765
Friday	7,732	Saturday	7,767
Saturday	7,741	Sunday	
Sunday		Monday	7,762
Monday	7,747	Tuesday	7,776
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I, Frank H. Burgess, business manager of the La Crosse Tribune, solemnly swear that the actual number of copies of the paper named and circulated during the month of November, 1909, was as above stated.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this thirtieth day of November, 1909.
A. E. BLEEKMAN,
Notary Public.

BETTER CITY GOVERNMENT
One feature of the Commission Plan of city government which demands attention, but which is being largely overlooked, is the advantage presented by a short ballot. The elimination of that complexity of the ballot due to numerous candidacies that weaken interest in the character of any of them is extremely detrimental. We are reminded of this feature by an exchange, the pertinence of whose remarks at a time when there is fresh evidence of the need of better government in La Crosse is apparent.

"An active sponsor for the new plan of city government," says this paper, "and as a result of his investigations of the commission plan in Texas, Des Moines and elsewhere, Dr. Charles W. Elliot, the ex-president of Harvard, has become an expert on municipal affairs. His principal conclusion seems to be that the fundamental trouble with our politics is its complexity. Politics, being the business of every citizen, he argues, ought not to be so elaborate as to constitute a separate profession. Politics should be simple—primitively simple. The number of elective offices should be reduced to a minimum so that the citizen, marking his ballot, will be a complete master of his task."

"Dr. Elliot has not hesitated to say that the Short Ballot outweighs in importance every other feature of the reform program. At the National Municipal League in Cincinnati, on Nov. 17th, after members from various cities had been debating municipal reforms, Dr. Elliot arose and said: 'I have heard the Short Ballot mentioned once or twice, but only in quite a casual way. As if that were not absolutely the heart of all constructive reform! The Short Ballot—few candidates to be named for; so few that the voters can intelligently inform themselves about the merits or demerits of the candidates. Now there is the only way to get rid of names and machines.' Shortly afterwards, addressing the Civil Service Reform League or

New York (December 9th), he said: 'The work of this league has lately been reinforced by another reform movement, which has spread rapidly over the country, the movement in favor of a large reduction in the number of elective offices. It is described nowadays as "The Short Ballot" movement. Taken together, the Civil Service Reform and the Short Ballot will go far to destroy the bosses and the machines.'

"On December 11th, speaking to the committee of the New York State Legislature, which is investigating the subject of direct primaries, he stated his disbelief in their efficacy, and said that the real issue was the need for few elective officers, the number of which should be limited to three or four at any one election."

"Addressing the City Club of New York the same day, where he was expected to support the Massachusetts type of ballot, for which the City Club is fighting, he said: 'The Massachusetts ballot has not delivered Massachusetts from civic evils. A good form of ballot will not avail unless it is short.'

"All told, this is going on record pretty strongly for a man of Dr. Elliot's authority and standing."

A GOOD SIGN
"The remarkable success that is attending the whirlwind tour of our 'flying squadron' is a good token—the best sign we have had since the beginning of the crusade against consumption that the people have been thoroughly awakened," said Executive Secretary Dearholt of the Wisconsin Anti-Tuberculosis association in a Milwaukee interview.

"If the people of the state will only jump in during these closing days of the Christmas stamp campaign, by which means we are raising money to continue the crusade, and boost the sale of stamps, so our mark of 3,000,000 can be reached, the year 1910 will see more remarkable successes and good tokens."

"It takes money to carry on a campaign to eradicate and finally prevent a disease that has gained such proportions as consumption," he continued. "We are asking the 3,000,000 people in Wisconsin to contribute one cent each toward the fund. This is the price of a Christmas stamp. The stamp alone is worth the penny paid for it, but not considering this, think of the enormous amount of good these pennies will do. Surely no one will hesitate to give this mite cheerfully."

"Brothead, Wis., gave the 'flying squadron' a great reception last Saturday night. Every store, market, two pool halls and even the shooting gallery closed at 8 o'clock and all crowded into the opera house to hear Lecturer Charles Sandberg. More than a dozen prominent citizens who had belittled the Christmas stamp campaign before Mr. Sandberg's advent, turned enthusiasts before the meeting was over and went through the audience to sell stamps."

"On the following day at Darlington, Wis., all churches began evening services a half hour earlier, 7 o'clock, and closed at 8, the congregation assembling in the opera house afterward to hear the illustrated lecture by Mr. Sandberg. Merchants who 'had no time to bother with Christmas stamps' are today among the best campaigners."

When a king dies all the people are supposed to mourn but in the death of Leopold of Belgium, there is a universal feeling of relief that one of the biggest rascals of modern times has been removed. There does not seem to have been a redeeming feature in the life and character of the King of Belgium. For 44 years he has reigned in despotic greed and robbery. His example to the youthful aristocracy of his country has been debasing and scandalous in the extreme. He cared neither for the honor of his house or the virtue of his people. He indulged in revelries of debauchery and he only regarded religion as a means to cloak or lend authority to his vices. The world breathes freer when it says of such "The King is dead."

Those who need most are not most ostentatious in their poverty. Heed

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Grandma Sanderson is a wonderful woman. She is in as good health today as ever in her life, although she is over one hundred years old.

In a letter to the Peruna Drug Mfg. Co., she gives the highest credit to Peruna for her excellent health and extreme old age. Read what she says.

Surely the evidence presented by such cases as these ought not only to dispel prejudice against Peruna, but inspire confidence in it.

"I will send you a picture that was taken a few weeks before my hundredth birthday."

"I am a true friend of the Peruna Company. I have derived great benefit from Peruna many times. I can say I regard Peruna a very great medicine. I found out the merit of it a good many years ago."

"A little more than two years ago I contracted a very severe cold, which resulted in la grippe. Owing to the severity of the disease, and my extreme age, my case was considered to be very critical. I employed no doctor, but Peruna was the remedy I used, and to-day my health is as good as it ever was in my life."

"However, I still continue to take Peruna, a spoonful every night before retiring."

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Peruna operates as a tonic by cleansing and invigorating the mucous membranes. This explains why Peruna has become so extensively known as a catarrh remedy. Catarrh is simply a condition of depraved mucous membranes. Peruna changes this depravity into healthful vigor.

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People who object to liquid medicines can now secure Peruna tablets.

these poor whose pride, born of gentility or independence, leads them to hide their want. There is a need that must not be paraded, but to succor them in privacy is a privilege, for there are no better citizens.

The vigorous steps being taken to wind up the Anti-Tuberculosis Stamp campaign in a successful manner deserves encouragement.

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The above is the name of a German chemical, which is one of the many valuable ingredients of Foley's Kidney Remedy. Hexamethylenetetramine is recognized by medical text books and authorities as a uric acid solvent and antiseptic for the urine. Take Foley's Kidney Remedy as soon as you notice any irregularities and avoid a serious malady.

SPOTLIGHTS

AT THE BIJOU NEXT WEEK
With the well balanced diversified entertainment for next week the patrons of the Bijou can rest assured that they will see a program that will please all. A splendid rollicking success is the sketch of J. H. Rutherford & Co., entitled "Half Back Hank." It deals with college life and the way things are mixed up is a caution. It will be remembered not long ago Mr. Rutherford was starring in a big production but like other stars he turned to the more profitable field, vaudeville, and is certainly meeting with big success.

Chas. Bell, black face comedian, has lately been forcing his way ahead and will at the end of the season be classed among the big ones. Charles is a hard worker and deserves success.

A good dancing act is always a favorite at the Bijou. The Grazers in their novelty dancing sketch will meet with big success for their equal in their kind of dancing is hard to find.

Marvelous Ossels, the wonderful Australian jugglers, are on their way to New York. Their act is high class and artistic. Miss Ossels is considered the best lady juggler on the vaudeville stage. A few weeks ago the Ossels had quite an experience that of nearly being suffocated by a leaking gas pipe and were just aroused in time by the hotel clerk, who had to break open the door to get at them.

For the tired Christmas shoppers the Bijou will be the mecca as it is an ideal place to spend an hour or two in comfort.

Like a Cigar
"A play," remarked the theatrical manager, "is like a cigar."

"What's the answer?" inquired the innocent reporter.

"If it's good," explained the manager, "every one wants a box; and if it's bad, no amount of puffing will make it draw."—Bystander.

Modern Enoch Arden
Irate Wife—So you have come back at last, have you? Where have you been all these years?

Quips and Cranks and Wanton Wiles

Th Power of a Dollar
A dollar buys ten good cigars, it buys a round of drinks, and when a man is spending one that way he never thinks

A dollar much, "Oho," he cries, "let all now merry be. This is the time for mirth and fun, the time for revelry. This is the Christmas season, and we'll let the welkin ring!" But somewhere is an orphan cold, who will not get a thing.

A dollar slips away from us, a dollar's seldom missed, My lady smiles though losing one or two or three at a whist; A dollar goes for chocolate creams, for ribbons for her hair, For trifling gauds to deck herself, but then she doesn't care; We must be gay at Christmas time, must be of cheerful mind, But somewhere is an orphan sad, whom Santa will not find.

Oho, a dollar is not much. I grant you that, but still, An orphan's tattered stocking I will buy enough to fill; 'Twill cheer some youthful heart and bring a smile to youthful lips, 'Twill purchase happiness for babes whom now grim sorrow grips, It won't buy many good cigars or drinks or ribbons gay, But for an orphan it will buy a merry Christmas Day.

—Detroit Free Press.

Marrying in Haste
As an instance of the "marrying in haste" principle that obtains in some American cities, an English lady who visited Chicago relates how her maid, who accompanied her, quickly became imbued with the desire to become Mrs. Somebody.

One morning she appeared before her mistress and, with glowing eyes, announced that she had named the day and would become a wife at the end of the week.

"Are you going back home, then?" the lady asked.

"Oh, no, ma'am; it's an American gentleman," replied the maid.

"But," remonstrated her mistress, "we've only been here a fortnight."

"That's no matter. He wants the wedding to be on Saturday."

"Well, can't you get him to postpone the marriage just a little till I can get another maid?"

"Well, ma'am, I'd like to oblige you, but ye see, I don't feel well enough acquainted to ask him to do that."—Tit-Bits.

Her Own Invitation
"It was Satan," said a mother to one of her children, "who put it into your head to pull Elsie's hair."

"Perhaps it was," replied the hopeful, "but kicking her shins was my own idea."—M. A. P.

As to Delinquent Subscribers
All sorts of jokes and near jokes are constantly on the boards about "the delinquent subscribers." Most of us are familiar with them. Rum-maging through an old Kansas newspaper file of forty-five years ago this one was discovered: "A western editor requests those of his subscribers who owe him more than six years' subscription to send him a lock of their hair so that he may know they are still living. In answer to which the contemporary says that if his delinquent subscribers would do this he would be compelled to go into the wig business."—Kansas City Journal.

Hattery
I love to go the opera And listen to the songs, And fall in love with the fair sourette, And see her many wrongs All righted in the closing act; Yet things are fierce at that To have to sit behind some dame Who won't remove her hat.

—St. Louis Star.

Small Hope
"Did she refuse him?" "Practically; she said she would not marry him until he arrived at years of discretion."—Brooklyn Life.

More Names in Stock
The school census taker stopped at a little hut in the mountains of Kentucky, and addressing the mother of an unusually large flock of children, said:

"Madam, I am taking the school census. How many children have you between the ages of 6 and—"

"Lemme see," she broke in; "there's Katy, an' Mary, an' Annie, an' Lucy, an' Carrie, an' Rob, an' Jake, an' Will, an' Harry, an' Jim, an'—"

"She paused for a breath and her caller made haste to say: "Now, madam, if you could just give me the number—"

"Number!" she snapped; "number! We ain't run out o' names."—Cleveland Leader.

An Able Assistant
Mrs. Brown—"We're so glad to see you give all the scraps to the cat, Susan!"

The New Treasure—"Wot I ses, mum, is—be good to the cat, and you may save 'arf your washin'g."—Tit-Bits.

Giving It Away
"A woman just can't keep a secret," he declared, opposing a statement.

"Oh, I don't know," contradicted the flutery lady. "I've kept my age a secret ever since I was 24."

"Yes," he replied, "but one of these days you will give it away. In time you will just simply have to tell it."

"Well," she replied with confidence, "I think when a woman has kept a secret for twenty years she comes pretty near knowing how to keep it."—Philadelphia Ledger.

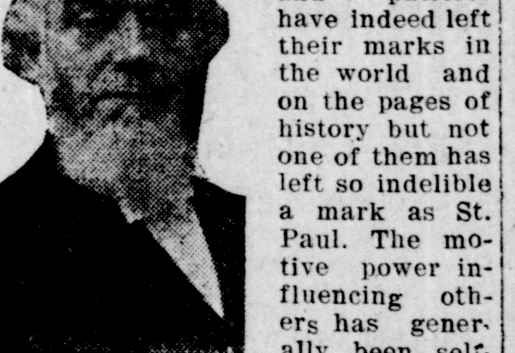
ST. PAUL'S EXPERIENCES

BROOKLYN TABERNALE

BIBLE STUDIES

A Soldier of the Cross
2 Timothy 4:7—December 19.
"I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith."

Was there ever a nobler soldier of the Cross than St. Paul—the Redeemer alone excepted? Soldiers of fortune and patriots have indeed left their marks in the world and on the pages of history but not one of them has left so indelible a mark as St. Paul. The motive power influencing others has generally been self-interest.



ishness. But the motive power of the Christian is the reverse—love. Others hazarded and laid down their lives in self interest, or in the interest of their kin or tongue. St. Paul, copying his Master, laid down his life for Jew and Gentile, bond and free, male and female, to assist in gathering the "elect" to be the Bride of Christ—that ultimately through the glorified King and his glorified Bride all the families of the earth may receive the blessing which God waits to give to "all the families of the earth, through Abraham's Seed."—Gal. 3:29.

St. Paul's courageous life reminds us of the words of the poet: "Be not like dumb, driven cattle. Be a hero in the strife."

God is seeking only for heroes now. By and by he will deal with the remainder, helpfully. The "elect" must all be courageous, "conformed to the image of his Son"—heroes. Hence the promises to the Church are "to him that overcometh." And let us remember that Scripturally considered this character which the Lord seeks may be developed in very humble stations—the butcher, the baker, the machinist, the housewife, the washerwoman—all these may develop the overcoming qualities which the Lord will reward.

When writing the words of our study St. Paul realized that the close of his career was near—his course was finished.

He recognized as a Christian that he had certain lessons to learn in the School of Christ and this was a part of his course of preparation for joint heirship with Christ in the glories of the Millennial Kingdom. The course included not merely theory, but also practice. He not only theoretically learned about Christ, but experimentally. He became a partaker with him in the sufferings of this present time. And sympathetically he was permitted to enter into a large degree of knowledge of the "mystery" of the Divine Plan hidden from the world.

Not only had his own course of instruction been a thorough one, but he had been given a post-graduate course as an ambassador for his Lord and Redeemer and as an Apostle for the brethren, the Church. Moreover, he recognized the fact that all such as became members of the Body of Christ are so directly under the Divine supervision and regulations that their times are in God's hand—all of their affairs of life, temporal and spiritual. As the Master's death could not occur "until his hour was come," so likewise it is with his consecrated members.

He had kept faith and the faith had kept him. Many do not realize how important are knowledge and a correct faith. "My people perish for lack of knowledge," is the Lord's testimony. And their faith can keep pace only with their knowledge, for faith must have a basis. A correct faith, why did our forefathers burn one another at the stake? Because they were governed by error. False doctrines, styled by the Apostle "doctrines of the devils," had been presented to them and they had believed them. And the legitimate outcome of the wrong doing. Believing that God purposed the torture of his creatures for centuries in Purgatory or for untellable millions of years in—

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WHEN HER BACK ACHES

A Woman Finds All Her Energy and Ambition Slipping Away
La Crosse women know how the aches and pains that come when the kidneys fail make life a burden. Backache, hip pains, headaches, dizzy spells, distressing urinary troubles, all tell of sick kidneys and warn you of the stealthy approach of diabetes, dropsy and Bright's disease. Doan's Kidney Pills permanently cure all these disorders. Here's proof of it in a La Crosse woman's words:

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For each empty quarter barrel MARVEL Flour or HEATH Flour sack, delivered to Mr. Berry, of Humane Society, at his home, 1318 Charles St., for North Siders, and Court House for South Siders, before December 24th, 1909, we authorize Mr. Berry to pay 5 cents in cash and we agree to redeem each sack at 10 cents, in this manner creating a fund for him to use at his discretion in buying food, or clothing, or fuel, to supply the deserving poor.

Any person can donate the empty sack if they wish and add their help toward making this fund larger.

We believe there are 4,000 families in La Crosse, who will have one or more sacks to donate or sell, and if so, the fund will enable Mr. Berry to do quickly and thoroughly his benevolent work.

Listman Mill Company

here. You will see the address—"I have unavoidably heard this lady's name," I hesitated.

"You will find the lady's name above the seal. Take her this message from me. Yes, your errand is to bring the least known and most talked of woman in Washington, alone, unattended save by yourself, to a gentleman's apartments, to his house, at a time past the hour of midnight! That gentleman is myself! You must not take any answer in the negative."

As I sat dumbly, holding this sealed document in my hand, he turned to Doctor Ward, with a nod toward myself.

"I choose my young aide, Mr. Trist here, for good reason. He is just back from six months in the wilderness, and may be shy; but once he had a way with women, so they tell me—and you know, in approaching the question ad feminam we operate per hominem."

Doctor Ward took snuff with violence as he regarded me critically.

"I do not doubt the young man's sincerity and faithfulness," said he. "I was only questioning one thing."

"His age."

Calhoun rubbed his chin. "Nicholas," said he, "you heard me. I have no wish to encumber you with useless instructions. Your errand is before you. Very much depends upon it, as you have heard. All I can say is, keep your head, keep your feet, and keep your heart!"

The two older men both turned now, and smiled at me in a manner not wholly to my liking. Neither was this errand to my liking.

It was true, I was hardly arrived home after many months in the West! But I had certain plans of my own for that very night, and although as yet I had made no definite engagement with my fiancée, Miss Elizabeth Churchill, of Elmhurst Farm, for meeting her at the great ball this night, such certainty was my desire and my intention. Why, I had scarce seen Elizabeth twice in the last year.

(To be Continued.)

THE SECRET OUT
"What made my lovely complexion? I do not like to tell, for it was medicine, but the nicest a woman ever took. It was Lane's Family Medicine that did it." This is a pleasant herb tea which acts favorably on the stomach and bowels, purifying the blood and cleansing the skin like magic. It cures headache and backache. Druggists and dealers sell it, 25c.

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We have a discount committee that approves all loans weekly.

We have an examining committee that examines the bank quarterly.

Our board of directors holds monthly meetings when all loans are passed upon by them.

Batavian National Bank

LA CROSSE, WIS.

COMPLETE NEWS OF THE NORTH SIDE TODAY

Umbrellas For Gift

Ladies' or gents' black umbrellas, plain boxwood handle, ivory or sterling trimmed, at each

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COLD WEATHER DELAYS TRAINS

Even Two Engines Fail to
Bring the Passengers
Into the City on
Time

NORTH SIDE IN BRIEF

FOR SALE—Edwin LeFleur has 200 Cord Dry Wood for sale at \$4.25 per cord delivered. New phone 1006-A.

Mrs. Eli Peterson of Primrose, Wis., is visiting at the home of A. J. Nelson, 1440 Kane street.

Mrs. Louis Sundvay, 1610 Kane street, was removed to one of the local hospitals yesterday where she will undergo an operation.

Obert Engbreitson has returned to his home at Madison, Wis., after several days visit at the home of A. J. Nelson, 1440 Kane street.

Mrs. Edward Laughlin and Miss Pearl Laughlin, 1447 Charles street, have returned from several weeks visit with relatives at Birmingham, Ala.

C. Gilberg, 1409 Berlin street, is confined to his home by illness.

Mrs. A. W. Fuller and Miss Maude Fuller, 1220 Avon street, have gone to West Salem to spend Sunday with relatives.

For Sale—Cord wood, mixed Birch and Maple. Mostly second growth. 16 inch lengths. \$4.75 per cord. Arctic Ice and Fuel company. Phone 231.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Green of Rushford, Minn., spent yesterday with Mr. and Mrs. Johnson, 630 Caledonia street.

H. Miller, former agent at the C. M. and St. Paul has been appointed agent at Kilburn City.

All "Q" trains are from three to nine hours late today on account of the cold weather.

Mrs. Larson of Rushford, Minn., was in the city yesterday calling on friends.

Passenger train No. 3 on the Milwaukee road due here at 6:50 a. m. was three hours late this morning.

Passenger train No. 55 on the Milwaukee road, due here at 10:55 a. m., was reported to be 50 minutes late this morning.

Thomas Doolin and John Waters of New Albin, stopped off at the north side this morning for a brief visit with friends. They are returning from Chicago.

Mrs. Harry Richmond has returned to her home on the north side after a brief visit with friends at Minneapolis.

Mrs. William Horne of New Lisbon is visiting at the home of John Haefner.

Fred Barrett of New Lisbon is the guest of friends in the city for a few days.

Frank Higbee of Minneapolis is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Higbee, 733 Caledonia street.

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T & P Special Horse Feed
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YOUR GROCER WILL SUPPLY YOU.

SAMUEL I. COX LOSES THOUSAND

North Side Man Fails to Get
Money on Draft Through
Bank Wrecked by
Phil Allen

MONEY FROM HIS MOTHER

Five Thousand Sent to Her
Five Children Lost in
Crash at Mineral
Point

That the local people lost money in the wrecking of the First National bank of Mineral Point, Wis., by Vice President Philip Allen, who is now confined in the Dane county jail, transpired today when it became known that Irwin Cox, 520 Avon street, the well known manufacturer of mouldings and castings, whose factory is located at Island and Milwaukee street, had received a draft on the institution for \$1,000 the Saturday before the bank was closed. No settlement has been made on the draft.

Mr. Cox's mother, Mrs. Mary Jane Cox of Mineral Point, disposed of a farm which she owned in that vicinity for a sum amounting to approximately \$5,000. This amount was placed to her credit in the First National bank a short time before the defalcations of Allen became public. In order to provide for her five children, Mrs. Cox divided the money equally among them, each one receiving a draft for \$1,000.

Mrs. Cox, this morning said: "Mrs. Cox sold her farm at Mineral Point for about \$5,000 and divided the amount equally among the five children. Mr. Cox received his draft on the bank the Saturday before the Monday that the institution was closed. We have made an attempt to realize something on the money, but so far we have received nothing."

The children who lost \$1,000 a piece in the wrecking of the bank are Samuel Irwin Cox of this city, Frank and Thomas, who are located in the west, George of New York and Mrs. Charles Gale, with whom Mrs. Mary Cox has been living at Mineral Point.

TWO DEVILS THAT RULE NEW YORK

In an interview with the "Man of Parts," the sobriquet for one of the best known of America's millionaires, which is published in the Van Norden Magazine for January, Marguerite Moores Marshall says the interviewed hands out some compliments to New York which residents of the metropolis, however they may realize their truth, will hardly look upon with favor. For its crisp, sprightly epigrams the interview is notable and for its profundity of knowledge of human nature it is beyond anything recently published.

"There are two devils that rule New York—Devil Success and Devil Failure. The first walks off with your soul; the second with your shoes and stockings," says the Man of Affairs.

"In that great culture-heated, tiger-clawed ghoul city there is just one writing on the wall. Monster letters, tall as the Metropolitan tower, glaring as the signposts at Forty-second street and Broadway, spell it—FAILURE BE DAMNED!"

"If you slip and fall in the street, what happens to you? If you're alone, you lie there till a policeman calls an ambulance to take you out of the way. If your best friend is with you—well, he may call the ambulance. But he can't wait to put you into it—he's too busy. And as for driving to the hospital to see you—oh, much simpler to call up the doctor on the phone, or—forget it."

"Now, if you sprain your financial ankle, you'll find a sympathizing, flower-sending, up-again-old-man-and-take-another-friend-at-every-corner? No—ing do—ing! Some of the men you best may lose their stride for a minute, but the Marathon's going on and they've got to be in at the finish."

"Do you want to know what I really think of America? I think that it's eighty millions—and New York. And I don't believe that these eighty millions are much changed from the honest-eyed, human-hearted, meat-fibred Americans that have made Americans since the beginning. I don't believe that those eighty millions in the western prairies and the southern cottonwoods and the New England rocky pastures have forgotten their goodness or their Creator."

"The dollar-diamonded, blotted-scutcheon New York family is nothing but the orchid of our civilization. It comes high-priced, and looks hideously unnatural after you get it. It is just about the same proportion to the orderly rank and file of American household sanity as a fifteen-dollar boutonniere is to a country meadow of daisies and buttercups."

Remembrance is the heritage of woman, forgetfulness the gift of man.

Remember Irvine's Big Spoon Sale Monday morning, Dec. 20, 8 until 11:30. Orange Blossoms or Bridal Rose Sterling Tea Spoons 63 cents each.

IRVINE'S.

BOWLERS TO SEND TWO TEAMS MAYBE

Session of Ten Pin Knights
on Sunday to Decide;
the Nationals Lead
the League

The fight for first honors in the North Side Bowling league is progressing with much vim and enthusiasm and at the present time it is hard to pick the winner of the six teams in the aggregation. At the present time all the teams have played 30 games and the Nationals lead with a percentage of .633.

The bowlers will hold a meeting tomorrow to decide what team will definitely be sent to the tournament which will be held at St. Paul some time in February. Several of the bowlers have signified their intention of taking in the tourney and rolling in the singles. The teams of the league have a regular schedule which was perfected some time ago, bowling three times a week, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. At the present time most of the men have not struck their season's gait and hence no really high records have been chalked up. Following are the teams and the members of the league as well as the standing of the clubs:

Peerless—J. Ritter, captain; P. Zoeller, C. Freng, S. Spoonick, H. Whittenberg.

Nationals—E. Getts, captain; E. Stender, W. Bonadurer, A. Fries, A. Klawitter.

Imperials—Otto Lee, captain; J. Voves, O. Paulson, J. Gilberg, J. Hayes.

Mohicans—A. Yehle, captain; E. Yehle, C. Swanson, C. Jenks, E. Hauser.

Invincibles—J. Mueller, captain; H. Hanson, E. Anderson, A. Butterfield, C. McDonald.

Ramblers—L. Bolrud, captain; B. Bice, T. H. Miller, W. Grady, L. Fastig.

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St. Peter's Church
Logan and Avon streets; Rev. C. N. Moller, rector. Services at 3 p. m.

Norwegian Danish M. E. Church
Norwegian Danish M. E. church corner Berlin and Sill. Rev. I. T. Slaatte, pastor. Sunday school, 9:15 a. m. No services Sunday.

German M. E. Church
German M. E. church, corner Clinton and Berlin streets, Rev. W. J. Witter, pastor. Sunday school at 9:15 a. m. Preaching service at Evening service, 7:30 Prayer meeting Wednesday evening. German school in reading, writing and catechism Saturday morning at 9:30. A cordial invitation is extended to the German public.

Norwegian Lutheran Church
Corner Charles and Sill street. Rev. E. O. Vik, pastor. Evening services, 7:30. Sunday school at 9 a. m.

North Presbyterian
Corner Logan and Avon streets, Rev. A. A. Randall, pastor. Sermon at 10:30 a. m. Evening service 7:45.

Trinity Lutheran Church
Trinity Lutheran church on Avon street, Rev. T. T. Hoverstad, pastor. Services Sunday morning at 10:30. English services in the evening at 7:30. Sunday school at 9 a. m.

Norwegian Bethel
Services at 10:30 a. m. Temperance lecture in evening by ex-Saloon-keeper Paulson.

German Lutheran Church
The Immanuel German Lutheran church. Services at 10 a. m. Sunday school, 11:15 a. m. Friday evening at 8 p. m. there will be special services for the children, A Christmas tree and program. Christmas morning at 9:30 confessional. At 10 a. m. Lord's supper celebration.

Caledonia St. M. E. Church
Rev. A. V. Ingham, pastor. Morning worship 10:30. Subject, "Life Lessons." Evening worship, 7:30. Subject, "Wrong Attitudes." The pastor will speak both morning and evening, Christmas tree and program Thursday evening at 7:30.

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The Kind You Have Always Bought

SLETTEN'S HOLIDAY BARGAINS

The time is now at hand when you should make your selections for a Holiday Gift, and there is nothing that can be of better use and more acceptable than a nice Household Article. The articles we have in stock which make useful and ornamental Christmas Gifts, are suitable for ladies and gentlemen, old or young, rich or poor. Come in and let us convince you of what we have.

An Endless Line of Rockers from \$1.00 to \$30.00

Center Tables from 50c to \$15.00.

Library Tables from \$7.50 to \$30.00.

Couches in imitation and genuine leather, from \$10 to \$45. Others from \$4.75 to \$25.

Morris Chairs and Rockers from \$4.75 to \$20.

Turkish Rockers from \$15 to \$25.

Bed Davenport, big assortment from \$20 to \$50.

Parlor Suits in 3 and 5 pieces, genuine leather, from \$22.50 to \$50, very attractive.

Dining Room Chairs from 50c to \$5.00 each.

Pictures of all styles and sizes from 10c to \$5.00.

Rugs, 27x54 inch, \$1.00 to \$2.50; 3x6 feet, \$3 to \$5.

English Doll Carriage, \$2.50.

Collapsible Doll Cart, \$1.00, \$2.00 and \$3.00; others at 25c to 65c.

Toy and Children's Chairs and Rockers, from 10c to \$3.00, painted red and golden finish.

Teddy Carts, 10c.

Writing Desks, with blackboards, 65c.

Blackboards, 25c to \$2.50.

Toy Tables, finished red, 50c.

 <p>This big Rocker, roll seat, golden oak, a good value at \$5.00, now \$3.75</p>	 <p>Center Tables, like cut, in different sizes, finished quartered oak: 14x14, at85c 18x18, at95c 24x24, at\$1.25</p>	 <p>Oak Rocker, cobbler seat, brace arm, worth \$1.50, special 90c</p>	 <p>Arm Rocker, finished golden, regular price \$2.25; sells at \$1.65</p>	 <p>Sloan's Velvet Rugs, 27x54, at \$1.45</p>
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FATHER OF DR. F. C. SUITOR SUCCEUMS

Dr. F. C. Suitor has gone to Salt Lake City where his father, Major General Walter F. Suitor until six years ago a resident of this city is dead. The old doctor sustained a broken hip in a fall and as he was 71 years of age he failed to recover. The elder Dr. Suitor was a surgeon in the Civil war and a man of many experiences in the Indian fighting days. Decedent was married in 1853 at Little Falls, N. Y., to Nancy Cook and for twenty years was a physician in La Crosse. Six years ago he went to Salt Lake City and decided to make his home with his two daughters. His widow and one son, Dr. F. C. Suitor of this city survive, he has two daughters, Miss Electa Suitor and Mrs. Elizabeth Barrett of Salt Lake City. Five grand chil-

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PERSONALS

The best yet, the new pop!
Read Irvine's ad on page 7.
Mrs. William D. Horn of New Lisbon, Wis., has taken up her residence in this city.

George B. Frederick, editor of the Northwest Trade Journal has sent to press what he says will be one of the biggest and most successful issues ever sent out.

Oliver Ash, who is attending Carroll college at Waukesha, Wis., is in the city visiting his parents for the holidays.

Giles and Willis Doud and Blake Nevius of Winona are the guest of friends here today.

Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Gundlach, 917 Green Bay street, are the proud parents of a baby girl.

Dr. Geo. Powell, consulting physician and surgeon.

The committee of supervisors appointed on the Tuberculosis hospital for La Crosse county and members of the Twentieth Century club, which has been active in the anti-tuberculosis fight here, will hold a meeting after the holidays for the purpose of deciding upon a course of action.

Dr. C. W. Putman, wife and daughter, have returned from a visit with friends in Aurora.

Dr. Will Powell, diseases of women A. T. Twesme, assemblyman from Trempealeau county, and his wife, have returned home after a visit with friends in this city.

The funeral of John O'Loughlin, aged 10, an orphan, was held at St. Michael's home, this morning at 8 o'clock.

Choice apples at Beutler's, \$1.25 per bushel.

Deeds conveying the Isle la Plume to the park commission have been turned over to the commission. No immediate improvements are contemplated.

John T. Powers, organizer and first president of the Wisconsin-Illinois league was in the city yesterday and called upon John A. Elliott, president of the Minny league and other friends.

Turkeys and dance in the evening at Seiler's, Sunday, Dec. 17.

Next week the Y. M. C. A. will celebrate the renting of all its dormitory rooms by a banquet.

The ladies of Companion Court Bluff, 282, Independent Order of Foresters, will install officers next Monday night.

Arthur Stramstad of Coon Valley, visited in town a few days this week.

Ed. Olson and Anton Nelson of Coon Valley, were La Crosse callers during the past week.

Hack calls promptly made. Phone 179, Gateway City Tr. Fr. Line.

The Misses Amy and Bernice Marshall and Alta Davis of Red Mound, were in the city on a shopping trip recently.

Read Irvine's ad on page 7.

J. Thompson of Stoddard, transacted business in the city one day the past week.

Mrs. C. E. Sallander, of Central, is in the city receiving medical treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Karis of Arcadia, visited in the city the fore part of the week.

Choice apples at Beutler's, \$1.25 per bushel.

Frank Wartman and Wm. Vieth of Norwalk, were in the city attending the sessions of the implement dealers' convention.

Miss Olive Goetz of Norwalk, spent Wednesday with friends in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Nicoli, have returned to the city after a visit with relatives at Norwalk.

Mr. John Jensen and wife have removed from Cashton to this city and will reside here in the future.

George Pennell of Viroqua, was in the city on business Thursday. While here he attended a meeting of the Redmen.

Choice apples at Beutler's, \$1.25 per bushel.

H. A. Moss of Mabel, Minn., visited friends in the city yesterday.

H. A. McKenle of St. Cloud, Minn., is spending several days in La Crosse on business.

Irvine's ad on page 7 is the best guide to jewelry buyers.

W. G. Doud, G. E. Maxwell and J. M. Adler of Winona are spending the day in the city.

Fancy packages and imported baskets too. Our line is exclusive. Schuld's.

Judge E. C. Higbee and Court Reporter Alfred Harrison returned this morning from Viroqua, where they have been holding court.

D. O. Stine of Reedsburg was among the business visitors in La Crosse yesterday.

For sale, cord wood, mixed birch and maple, mostly second growth, 16 inch length, \$4.75 per cord. Arc-

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Every moment of your life, when you are at home or abroad, awake or asleep—

Between the poison germs that are in air, food and water, everywhere in fact, and the billions of your invisible friends, the little soldier-corpuscles in your blood.

If these little soldiers are kept strong and healthy by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla, you need have no fear of disease. Begin using it at once if you are at all under the weather, or have troubles of the blood, stomach, liver and kidneys. Get it of your druggist.

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Mrs. H. C. McNamar of Denver, Col., returned this morning from a visit with friends at Chicago to spend the holidays at the home of her mother, Mrs. N. R. Nelson, 703 West avenue south.

L. A. Welch of Waterloo, Iowa, is the guest of La Crosse friends for a few days.

:: SOCIETY ::

FIVE HUNDRED PARTY

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Fosbeck, 1115 South Fifth entertained at Five Hundred on Saturday evening. At midnight refreshments were served and all reported an enjoyable time. The prizes were taken by Mrs. Robt. Braun and Mrs. W. S. Marsh.

BIRTHDAY SURPRISE

Mrs. J. F. McDonough was hostess at a children's party this afternoon given in honor of the sixth birthday anniversary of her little daughter, Zeta. The small guests were seated at a long kindergarten table which was prettily decorated. In the center was a Christmas tree decorated with toys and ornaments which was greatly admired by the guests. The favors were tiny red shoes from which peeped the heads of diminutive ladies. Large sticks of candy in colored paper and tied with fancy ribbons were laid at each cover.

Refreshments were served from a round table in an adjoining room. The hostess was assisted in her duties by Mrs. John Elliott. A magic lantern was a great source of amusement and entertainment to the little folks. Miss Emma Schumann was also present and introduced many kindergarten games. The guests were Virginia Baker, Louise Servis, Eleanor and Ruth Forschler, Elizabeth Grams, Margaret Meister, Ellen Saler, Tim Dalton, Paul and William Doherty, Henry Rooney, Jr., Zeta and Joseph McDonough.

TENTH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY
Mr. and Mrs. Martin Harfield celebrated their tenth wedding anniversary last evening at their home, 816 Cass street, by entertaining the employees of the Green store of which Mr. Harfield is manager. Many handsome tokens of the event were presented to Mr. and Mrs. Harfield. Prominent among them was a handsome cut glass epergne filled with beautiful flowers from the employees of the store. Miss Norma Strouse of Columbia City, Ind., a niece of the hostess, who is spending the winter with her, gave a delightful musical recital. Miss Strouse is an accomplished musician, being a graduate of the musical department of the

Northwestern university. Later in the evening a delicious luncheon was served. All enjoyed the pleasant evening and regretted when the hour for adieux arrived.

SOCIAL BRIEFS

Mrs. David Austin has gone to Chicago to spend Christmas with the Hills.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Baillette of La Mont, Ill., were guests at the home of Mrs. Austin during the week.

Miss Francis Sill left last night for New York, where she will join her mother and sister, Margery. They will go to Saranac and spend the holidays with the Palmer family.

The Birthday club will meet this afternoon at the home of Mrs. E. E. Friess on Vine street, where they will celebrate the joint birthday of Mrs. Friess and Miss Jessie Asplin.

W. B. U. MASQUERADE

Another one of the delightful dancing parties given by the students of the W. B. U. was held last evening in the school hall. The young people present were all masked and under the supervision of Edward Conway several excellent characters were made up. At 10 o'clock the costumes were thrown off and dancing was enjoyed the rest of the evening. The party was strictly an invitation affair.

TWENTIETH CENTURY CLUB

The Twentieth Century club was entertained by Mrs. A. W. Langenbach, 120 South Fourth street, Tuesday afternoon. Figure and Genre painters, George Fuller, Eastman Johnson was the subject of the lesson. Mrs. Abram James, the leader, was assisted by Mrs. Tollefson, Mrs. Kleeber, Mrs. Coate and Mrs. Davis. The lesson was broadened and made impressive by an historic background and a comparison to some extent of Fuller and Johnson with the figure and genre painters of the principal countries of Europe contemporaneous with the American artists.

"The Conquest of the Air," was the title of a very interesting paper by Mrs. J. L. Callahan. There is no doubt that the conquest of the air has been among the earliest ambitions of mankind and of all forms of locomotion it has presented the most baffling problems. Mrs. Callahan described the development of the aeroplane from the time of Otto Lillenthal of Germany, who levised the first successful one—its development in England and France and its seeming perfection by the Wright Brothers of America. The development of the aeroplane followed the automobile very closely in the use of the light and simple engine in which petrol vapor is the source of energy. The first airship will have passenger room for 100 and will cost about the same as a first class automobile. The aeroplane's possible use in war was also considered.

Thus a new empire for man's possession has been conquered by the aeronaut. The highways of the eagle are now roadways for the human.

FIGHTS TO HEAD BIG LEAGUE

Johnny Ward. The picture in golf costume was taken at the links with former Champion Travis.



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Blood Poison

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SLY THRUST AT SHUTE FEATURE

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logue rendered by Miss Elsie Ott before the curtain, this merged into a solo by Mrs. Grace MacLinden Bartl. Her number was the "Flower Song" and during its rendition she flitted about the stage throwing roses and carnations into the audience which were eagerly grabbed by her many admirers.

The song "I'm Looking for a Sweetheart," sung by Miss Lillian Anderson in the first performance, was rendered to splendid advantage by Elsie Ott. She has a pleasing voice and a graceful stage figure. She was assisted by Mr. Emil Neimeyer, who sang from one of the lower boxes, adding much to the piece. Mr. Neimeyer has a voice of splendid tone and range and his work was a treat to La Crosse lovers of good music.

Mr. Ruel Russell responded from one of the upper boxes. Miss Helen Miller, who thoroughly captivated her audience during the first performance of "Up and Down Broadway," again scored a hit in "They Always Follow Me." During this number she was followed about the stage by twelve admiring young swains.

"A Little Pink Petty From Peter" by Mrs. Joseph Bartl was humorous in the extreme and proved a thorough hit. She was assisted by Laura Cunningham, Daisy Gage, Elsie Ott, Josephine Warsaw, Georgia Young, Pearl Bell, Jeanette Hankerson and Hazel Viets, who acted the part of Dutch machans to perfection.

"I can't Do that Sum," the song in which the Rev. Shute figured so prominently, followed this number and was rendered by Miss Elsie Ott and Donald MacDonald.

"Aren't You the Girl I Met at Sher-ry's," by Donald MacDonald, opened the second act and Elsie Ott as the "Shy Lass," Laura Cunningham as a "Girl With a Hat," Miss Grace Heath as the "Girl from Boston," Mrs. Joseph Bartl as a waitress and Messrs. Burt Spence as bowery toughs created bits.

On a darkened stage with tiny lights twinkling here and there Miss Lena Weimer rendered the Glow Worm song to great advantage. She has a rich voice which added materially to the success of the numbers. The Glow Worms were the Misses Jeanette Hankerson and Laura Cunningham. The chorus of La Crosse young men and women played their parts well.

Perhaps the classiest number was the racing Octette in which the Misses Viola Doerflinger, Eleanor Marston, Helen Miller, Ruth Heath, Pearl Bell, Elsie Ott, Grace Heath, and Mable West and Messrs. Ruel Russell, Will Owen, Parmelee Smith, Herbert Moss, Aubrey Richmond, Walter Harrington, and Burt Spence were the principals.

During the Sarella Dance, which followed the racing Octette, novel electrical effects were produced, the were Misses Hazel Viets, Jeanette Hankerson, Georgian Young, Laura Cunningham, Anastasia Felzer, Daisy Gage, Ruth Hillstead and Ilene Dreene.

"Cupid's Telephone" from "Havana" was one of the new numbers. Heath and Elsie Ott were the principals assisted by Donald MacDonald. The excellent dancing in this sketch is said to surpass that seen in the "Vanderbilt cup" which played here last season.

Mr. Otto Ziekle, assisted by all of the male members of the chorus and six of the most stunning girls in the show opened the third act on a darkened stage with the "Smoke Song." One of the features of the number was the singing from the wings of Mrs. Bartl.

The "Fickle Maid" Miss Helen Miller again found her way to the hearts of her audience. She was assisted by Aubrey Richmond, Parmelee Smith, Will Owen, Gussie Roy, Emil Neimeyer and Herbert Moss and with a ribbon attached to the "heart" of each drove these young men about the stage.

The singing of "Starland" by Mrs. Bartl, assisted by sixteen young women with white streamers, was one of the dazzling numbers of the program. She sang with exquisite expression and the variegated colors thrown on the stage added much to the success with which the act met.

The Old Stage Door

At the "Old Stage Door" sung by Donald MacDonald made as great a hit as it did in the original performance and he was assisted by Miss Eleanor Marston, as a Florida girl; Miss Georgina Young, as a Pony girl; Miss Pearl Bell, the sweet girl; Mr. A. Richmond, the bowery girl; Miss Grace Heath, the shy girl; Miss Viola Doerflinger, the naughty girl; Miss Hattie Houghton, the flirtatious girl; Misses Marjory Gordon and Marie Wheeler, sisters, and Miss Daisy Gage, the scrub lady.

The audience was kept in constant mirth by Miss Daisy Gage and Aubrey Richmond in their parts.

The finale followed this number.

The Participants

Following is a complete list of the people who have trained hard and faithfully for the past week and who participated in the play last night in an effort to secure funds with which to combat tuberculosis in and about La Crosse:

Mrs. Grace MacLinden-Bartl, Helen Miller, Lena Weimer, Grace Heath, Ruth Heath, Eleanor Marston, Mrs. Walter Bohlin, Elsie Ott, Frieda Michel, Marie Wheeler, Viola Doerflinger, Mabel West, Pearl Bell, Dana Jordstad, Rita Parks, Alice Parker, Jeanette Hankerson, Laura Cunningham, Ruth Leisnering, Josephine Warsaw, Leona Doerflinger, Georgia Young, Carmelle Young, Anastasia Felzer, Alleen Dineen, Ruth Hillstead, Daisy Gage, Bernice Barber, Hattie Houghton, Antoinette Lennon, Margery Gordon, Elsie Newburg, Ruplin, Edith Derr and Hazel Viets. Messrs. Donald MacDonald, Parmelee Smith, Ruel Russell, Herbert

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COMMITTEE MAY ASK A SPECIAL SESSION CALLED

Assembly Must Pass an Amendment for Tax on Water Rights, Else it will Fail

MADISON, Wis., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—A tentative report, at least, will be laid before the governor in January by the senate members of the special legislative committee on water power.

This was the declaration of Senators Bird, Hustin and Krumrey today. The members agreed to meet again in Madison January 5th, to prepare such a report. The assembly members, Hambrecht, Bray, Kubasta and Thomas may present another report or individual reports.

An important discovery which may prove a great determining factor as to whether or not a special session of the legislature shall be held, was made by the senate members of the committee yesterday. This is that the proposed amendment to the constitution authorizing the state to levy a tax of two-sevenths of a mill on taxable property in the state for acquiring forest lands and the conservation of water power, must be adopted by this legislature, or it will entirely fail to the ground.

This amendment was adopted by the legislature of 1907, but the present legislature did not adopt it. After it went through the senate it was referred by the assembly to a special committee on water powers. It is now pointed out, if there is no special session, the amendment will fail for the want of second legislative approval, and cannot be submitted to the people.

The senate members point out that this would be a calamity, as it might soon put a stop to the state acquiring any more forest reserves, hence they consider it important that the special session be held. It is estimated that such a tax would bring to this work between \$300,000 and \$400,000.

Moss, Walter Harrington, Will Owen, Emil Neimeyer, Aubrey Richmond, Gussie Roy, Harry Partridge, Clarence Webb, John Partridge, Joseph Bartl, George Hillstead, Ben Brindley and Burt Spence.

GOOD SAMARITANS.

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Sometimes the gas discharged is of a fetid character—may be so foul, indeed, as to render the unfortunate person's presence almost unbearable to others. Owing to imperfect secreting action, or to a defective state of the gastric juice, putrefactive changes take place among the contents of the stomach, and as a result sulphuretted hydrogen and other such foul gaseous products of decomposition, are evolved. Hence the eructations or belching present the offensive odor of decayed animal and vegetable matter, and the victim of this deplorable condition usually has a continuous bad breath, which is so disagreeable to cause them to be shunned by their friends.

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WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 18.—It was the former chief executive who called such sharp attention to the fact that large families were going out of fashion. Colonel Roosevelt several times remarked regretfully that when an American family boasted of five or six children it was a circumstance to cause comment. When President Roosevelt was visiting in La Crosse he was entertained at the home of Representative Esch, and remarked to him after meeting his nine children that he considered that he had the most useful man in congress at close range. Certainly families of nine children are not frequent in official Washington, and Mrs. Esch believes that in the lower house at least she can claim all the honors of this unique

distinction. Like that celebrated Roman matron, Cornelia, who has achieved more fame than many of the statesmen and warriors of the same epoch, Mrs. Esch counts her children her greatest treasures. She furnishes an eminent example of a woman who keeps abreast of the times in every particular to be helpful to her husband, but more in order to educate her children.

"Nine children are rather a household," remarked Mrs. Esch, discussing things in general. "I told one of my friends not long ago that my oldest boy, Paul, had just gone off to college and that we missed him tremendously. She was heartless enough to laugh and say that she could not possibly see how we could miss him unless we had a roll call. This is the first of my children to leave home and it makes an epoch in family life just like the first teeth of your children, the first trousers of your boys and for girls their first long skirts. I have naturally very decided views about the education of children and their general training along every line. You see, the problem is a larger and more varied one for me than for the average woman. I have taught all my little ones the rudiments of education and have watched their developments. We have permitted them in every particular to follow their natural mental bent, I realize, and of specialties the utmost care is necessary in selecting a career, and I believe that each man and woman must have a vocation for the career which is selected. I am opposed to what is known as making children 'show off.' I believe in their being sociable and helpful and early habits of hospitality cannot fail to make amiable and genial men and women. But this is aside from 'speaking pieces' and generally breaking in on the councils of their elders. Some witty person has remarked that spoiled children are always those who live next door to you, but never in your own home. I have made an earnest effort to make this witticism true. Otherwise my children, though numerous, cannot claim essential difference from other boys and girls of their age, and I should be loath to claim any great superiority for them."

A Remarkable Family
But according to the mutual friends of the Esches a more remarkable family does not exist in the state of Wisconsin and certainly none comes to Washington, though Mrs. Esch brings her family only in sections and never breaks up her pleasant home in La Crosse.

Representative Esch attained national prominence some years ago as joint framer of the Esch-Townsend rate bill. Just now he is known among the insurgents of the lower house and appears far over the horizon as the most powerful candidate for the seat of Isaac Stephenson in the senate. He was a classmate of his wife in the high school of Sparta, Wis., but after graduating there, he took an advanced course in the state university at Madison. There he was a classmate of two men now high in

political annals, La Follette and Governor Gillette of California. Mrs. Esch did not go to college though she studied diligently at home and to all purposes has a thorough education along higher lines. One feature of her children's education in which she takes a special pride is that they all speak German fluently. This is a rare occurrence, even among the children of native Germans, and both Mr. and Mrs. Esch, though of German parentage, are natives of Wisconsin. Mrs. Esch took special courses in the literature and philosophical development of Germany, and today reads all the reviews and best books which come from the Fatherland. In addition to this she has studied Latin and that her son attained such high rating when he entered the university of Wisconsin was largely due to the firm foundation laid by his mother in the classics and kindred themes. Young Paul is the particular pride of his mother and in La Crosse he bids fair to rival his revered parent, Paul undoubtedly will follow his father's footsteps and select politics and the law as a profession.

Miss Irene is Popular
The eldest daughter, Miss Irene Esch, is better known in Washington than her brother. She has come here frequently. But she is a little haughty and would reject the German Kaiser and Washington makes no appeal. Her mother is enabled to spend at least a part of every winter in Washington with one or two of the youngest children because Miss Irene is such a reliable little dame Durden and conducts the home in La Crosse with all the skill and dignity of mature years. She is very fond of housekeeping and has taken the most advanced and scientific course in all that relates to the care and management of the home. Her fame as a cook is not confined to La Crosse, for during the campaigns of recent years she has prepared dishes for august guests who have published her virtues far and wide. Like her mother, Miss Esch attended high school and has taken private lessons at home. She is a good musician and a splendid German scholar. She has learned all her mother's ways. When she is acting as vice reine when the sessions of congress are in progress she coaches her small brothers and sisters and superintends their wardrobes as well as their meals with all the skill of 30 years instead of 18, which is all she boasts. The next in the family, Miss Helen, is sweet 16 and at school in La Crosse. She has also made frequent visits to Washington and has always been a favorite. Now that her studies claim her time, she dislikes leaving her home even for few weeks' gayety during the holidays. Miss Helen will, in all probability, take a college course. She is not so fond of domestic science as her sister, but all of Mrs. Esch's daughters are in training to be thorough housekeepers, no matter whatever branches of knowledge they may take as a side issue. Then in the family chronicles come three lovely little girls with about 18 months' difference in their ages, Marie, Ruth and Anna, then two boys, John Jacob, Jr., Mark, and last of all a dainty little girl of two, who is called Margaret.

The ease and success with which Mrs. Esch manages this rather large domestic problem furnishes food for reflection. She has the most care free expression that one may behold in many travels and her interest in life and all that it brings is unflagging. In the home the children are helpful and self-reliant. "I have never waited on my children," is one way in which she explains things. They are taught in their tenderest years to attend to their own wants and as the oldest came up they were taught to look after the little ones. Said a friend of Mrs. Esch's:

"I should recommend the nervous, anxious mother, torn with many emotions and feeling unequal to her task, to visit Mrs. Esch. Nine children are as one in that household. They are all natural, refreshingly well-bred youngsters, never in the way, never wanting you to notice them, but just entertaining you as simply and hospitably as their parents, and the Eschs are noted for their home accomplishments all through the state. If there is company and the family dining table crowded, the overflow is accommodated at a side table, and the little girls preside and attend to the smaller brothers and sisters as quietly and effectually as Mr. Esch himself could. They watch every proceeding during a formal

dinner, and are ready to supply the defects of awkward servants or inattentive waiters, and that in the flash of an eye and before their mother can even look her wishes. Then they each have their own little group of friends, and sometimes three or four little parties are in progress in the Esch home, all without any conflicting with the other or encroaching on the prerogatives of the elders. It is positively a lesson in civil government to see how many interests can be attended to at once."

Mrs. Esch was before her marriage Miss Anna Herbst, of Sparta, Wis. She is more Spanish or Italian in type than German, being of olive complexion, with clear dark eyes and long features which distinguish the Latins rather than the Teutons. She is the only daughter in a family of six sons, and the youngest at that. Still, with such opportunities to become autocratic, she has the most affable disposition and the happy faculty of never anticipating trouble. Her children are all healthy, good-looking and talented.

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COLDEST DAY OF SEASON RECORDED

Official Thermometer Gets Down to 12 Below; Others Record Sixteen

The coldest day of the present winter season was recorded this morning, when the official thermometer at the U. S. Weather Bureau office recorded 12 degrees below zero. Many private thermometers recorded 16 to 20 below at 6 a. m., although the weather has moderated some during the day.

La Crosse was one of the coldest places in the United States today. Huron had a temperature of 12 below while Denver recorded 14 below. Duluth, usually one of the coldest places in the country escaped with a temperature of 2 below zero. Jupiter, with 74 degrees was the warmest place where a record was taken during the past 24 hours.

HIGH SCHOOL STAR AS AN ORGANIZER

Hugo Schaldach, one of the best athletes the high school ever produced, left last night for Ardmore, South Dakota, where he will organize teams in basketball, baseball and football. Schaldach was the star player on the basketball squad that beat Sparta two years ago and since then he has gathered considerable experience by playing with the best amateur teams in the state. Ardmore is an enthusiastic sportsman and will spare no expense in obtaining the best teams possible. Carl Jungbluth and Carl Guenther, two former players on the local football eleven, have claims near this place and will assist Schaldach in organizing football teams.

IVERSON HEADS THE SPANISH VETERANS

The Veterans of the Spanish-American war have elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Commander—A. Iverson. Senior vice commander—Max A. Feldt. Junior vice commander—Wm. Schroeder. Chaplain—E. Rick. Officer of day—Jno. Jiracek. Officer of day of guard—Wm. Irwin. Trustee for three years—Aug. Koschintzke. Trustee for one year—A. H. Engelhard.

NEW ANESTHETIC TESTED CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—Without waiting for the arrival next Monday of Dr. Thomas J. Jennesco, the noted Roumanian, Chicago physicians today will test stovaine, the new anesthetic, with the discovery of which he is credited. Mrs. Charwick Cosgrove of Dubuque, Iowa, has volunteered to undergo an operation for carcinoma of the small intestine under the influence of stovaine at a local hospital.



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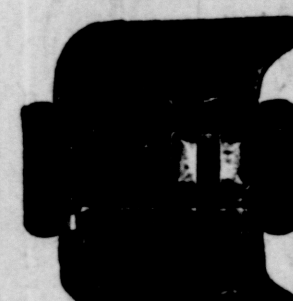
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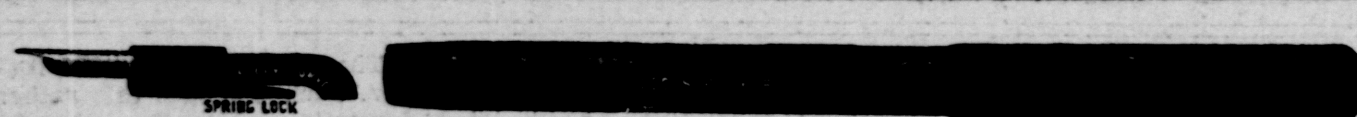
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IS COUNTRY LOYAL TO TAFT POLICIES?

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and senators had explained the tariff. In view of these explanations and the light thrown on the question, the balloters were asked to indicate their opinions. The tabulated questions and answers tell their own story.

Question number one asked: "Do you believe your vote for presidential candidate last November was wisely cast?"

Of the republicans 5,728 voted yes, while 540 voted no; 2,323 democrats voted yes and 206 voted no.

Question number two: "Are you satisfied with the first nine months of the administration of President Taft?"

Of the republicans 3,092 voted yes, 2,490 voted no, and 2,778 declined to vote at all. Of the democrats 500 answered yes, and 2,053 replied no.

Over half of the 500 democrats who approved of the administration of President Taft voted from the south and in Georgia, a majority of the democratic balloters supported him.

Cannon and Aldrich Condemned Question number three: "Do you approve of the position of Senator Aldrich in the recent tariff legislation?" Republicans voting yes numbered 517 while those voting no numbered 6,313. But 40 democrats of whom 22 are in the south, endorsed Aldrich, while 2,447 voted in the negative.

Question number four: "Do you approve of the position of Speaker Cannon in the recent tariff legislation?" Republicans numbering 490 voted that they do and 40 democrats were of the same opinion. But against this 6,485 republicans and 2,447 democrats voted in the negative. Commenting on this Success, says:

"The condemnation of both Mr. Aldrich and Speaker Cannon is almost as pronounced in the Atlantic and Pacific coast states as in the central west and there is every evidence that Cannonism and Aldrichism are national and general issues and do not represent merely local insurgency."

Tariff Legislation Disapproved Question number five: "Do you approve the position of President Taft in the recent tariff legislation?" To this 2,102 republicans voted yes and 3,580 voted no, 244 democrats approved and 2,361 disapproved.

To question number six, "Is it your desire that President Taft should support and co-operate with Senator Aldrich and Speaker Cannon in the general public policies which they represent?" 6,243 republicans voted no and 689 yes, and to a supplementary question, "Do you desire him to oppose them?" 6,219 republicans voted yes and 461 no. Of the independent voters 201 voters approve the president's administration to date, 994 do not, 130 endorse his position on the tariff and 1,088 do not and 45 desire him to co-operate with Aldrich and Cannon and 1,364 do not.

There are three additional questions desired to secure the sentiment regarding congress. These were separated into districts and sent out. They were:

"Do you approve the position of your representative in congress in the speakership contest last spring?"

"Would you vote for him if there should be another election this month provided that he were opposed by a reputable man of opposite party?"

"Is it your desire that he support the administration and policies of Speaker Cannon or would you prefer that he oppose them?"

The magazine says: "The republican insurgents against Cannonism are being to a man enthusiastically supported by their neighbors except in a few cases where their original insurgency has been modified by later indecision."

A few of the results shown are: Massachusetts—Gardner and Lovering, insurgents, former approved 22 to 0; latter, 19 to 3.

New Jersey—Fowler approved, 28 to 1.

Maryland—Pearre, insurgent, who later went over to Cannon, condemned, 21 to 2, while 14 out of 19 republicans say they would vote for a democrat to succeed him.

Wisconsin—Nine insurgents indorsed 226 to 10; Stafford, republican regular, condemned 19 to 1.

Iowa—Six insurgents indorsed, 4 regulars condemned.

Minnesota—Insurgents approved; regulars condemned; in case of Tawney, house leader, condemned 20 to 0, while five out of 16 republicans say they would vote for a democrat against him.

Kansas—Madison and Murdock, insurgents, approved 38 to 5, and 44 to 0, while regulars condemned 22 to 10.

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Washington—Poindexter, insurgent, indorsed 102 to 3; Humphrey, regular, condemned, 49 to 6.

California—Seven regular republicans condemned, 188 to 56; Hayes, insurgent, indorsed, 20 to 7.

OLD RESIDENT GONE.

CHASEBURG, Wis., Dec. 18.—After being ill but a day and half, most of which time he was unconscious, Granville P. Aiken, one of the old and well known residents of Chaseburg, passed away at his home here Dec. 6, at 7:30 p. m., of heart failure. Although his health had been failing for months, it was not until Dec. 5 that he was obliged to take to his bed. After that it was but a short time until he became unconscious and so remained until the end came. The deceased was a native of New Hampshire, being born at West Derry, January 26, 1845. When about 16 years of age his father moved to Troy Lake, Wis., and purchased the mill at that place. Here he was employed until 18 years of age. They then moved to Bristol, Wis., and there again purchased the mill. When the civil war was at its heat, he enlisted at Madison Nov. 30, 1863, in company H. Thirtieth Wisconsin Infantry and served nearly two years, being honorably discharged Sept. 4, 1865. It was soon after that the family came to Chaseburg, purchasing the Chase-Little mill. When his father died in 1879, he purchased the mill from the heirs and continued the business. On October 23, 1881, he was married to Jennie M. Marlow of Sedalia, Mo. They have since always resided here. About 1891 because of ill health he disposed of the mill and has since been retired.

In all circles he was very popular and his loss will be severely felt. Those surviving who mourn his loss are his widow, three sons, Earl of La Crosse, Charles of Green Bay, and Harry of Chaseburg, and one granddaughter. The funeral was held from the house Thursday, Dec. 9, at 2:30 p. m., with Rev. E. H. Palechek officiating and H. W. Schallert in charge. Interment was made in the local cemetery. He died at the age of 64 years, 10 months, 10 days.

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TABERNACLE BIBLE STUDIES

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eternal torment, they copied the misconception of the Almighty in their lives, to our horror.

But St. Paul had kept his faith—the true faith—once delivered unto the saints—faith in the Redeemer's sacrifice; faith in its application on our behalf; faith in our justification by the Father on that account; faith in the glorious promises of God's Word; faith in the Lord and faith in the brethren. Surely it means something to keep the faith—especially when we realize that our great Adversary, Satan, is on the alert continually to take it from us or turn or twist it to our loss or injury.

The crown mentioned, the Apostle had seen for many years with the eye of his faith as a part of the Lord's promise. He had absolute confidence in the Lord and in the promise he had received from him. That crown had been his cause of rejoicing for many years, not because of pride or ambition, but because of love and benevolence. He would love to receive that crown because it would be the mark of Divine appreciation and love for him; and a mark of his faithfulness. He esteemed it because it would afford him untold opportunity of blessing his fellowmen in association with his Lord and the brethren on the plane of glory during the Millennium.

He hoped for this crown, but did not hope to receive it at death. He knew the Bible teaching on the subject of resurrection—that this was his God's provision for the communication of his blessing, first for the Church, and subsequently for the world. He knew and taught that there would be "a resurrection of the dead, both of the just and if the unjust." (Acts 24:15.) He desired to have a share with his Redeemer in all of his glorious Kingdom work and he knew that it could not begin until the completion of this Gospel Age, when all the elect Church, as members in "his resurrection," to glory, honor, immortality and glorious Kingdom privileges.—Phil. 3:10, 11.

It was for this reason that he proceeded to declare that the crown was laid up for him—awaiting him—not at death, but at the time of his resurrection. That crown the Lord would give to him and to all others in the attitude of heart to appreciate his revelation at the Second Advent—"that day." True, not many at the present time love his appearing. The majority, not only of the world, but also of Christians, seeking but not finding in pleasures, riches, honors of men, have certain ambitions along these lines which they would like to satisfy first, and then possibly they might be willing for the Lord to establish his Kingdom. But, no! by the time their lives have been spent in such pursuits, they are usually thoroughly disappointed and bewildered and generally further than ever from seeking the Kingdom.

None but this class will receive this crown. Thank God, the remainder will not be tortured, but, on the contrary, will be blessed by their

crowned brethren, from whom, as the Christ of God, will go the blessings of restitution through the agency of the Millennial Kingdom. Eventually all the blind eyes of understanding will be opened—eventually all will see the great Messiah, though invisible to the natural spirit. Then every knee shall bow and every tongue confess to the glory of God.

St. Paul closes his exhortation by reciting that in his trial before Nero some in whom he had full confidence had forsaken him, and he concludes that the Lord, nevertheless, stood with him and strengthened him and that he had every confidence in his care to the end of the way.

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MRS. J. J. ESCH TELLS OF FAMILY

(Continued From Page 7.)

well started she was finding that the fashion hints from Paris and the catalogues of the great firms were becoming popular reading in her household. Dressing a family of nine and yourself besides is not a matter to be lightly waved aside. Her children are always simply clad, but in every minutiae their raiment shows thoughtful care and intelligent selection. Mrs. Esch could surely shed much illumination on the theme of how garments discarded by the head of the family can be utilized in the way of short trousers and pea-jackets for the 10-year-old boy. Her own gowns are always chosen with an eye to the future. She buys on-

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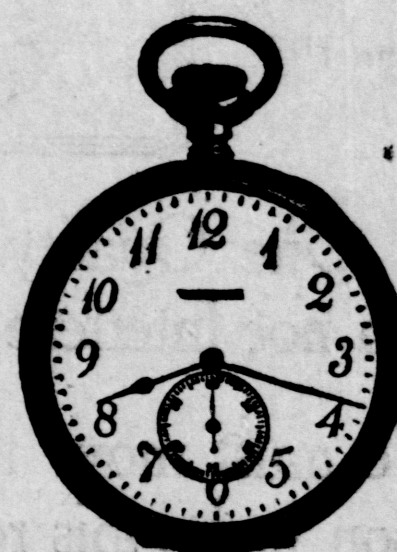
Regular Price	Dollar Stretcher Price
\$50.00 1—54 in. Round Dining Table, at	\$39.50
\$27.50 2—48 in. Round Dining Tables, at	\$22.00
\$32.50 1—48 in. Round Dining Table, at	\$26.50
\$30.00 1—45 in. Round Dining Table, at	\$24.00
\$12.50 2—42 in. Round Dining Tables, at	\$10.50
\$17.50 2—42 in. Round Dining Tables, at	\$14.00
\$10.50 2—42 in. Round Dining Tables, at	\$9.00
\$27.50 1—48 in. Mission Round Dining Table, at	\$21.00
\$30.00 1—48 in. Mission Round Dining Table, at	\$22.00
\$33.00 1 Square Top, 48x48 Dining Table, at	\$23.00
\$22.50 1 Square Top 42x42 Dining Table, at	\$18.00
\$18.00 1 Square Top 42x42 Dining Table, at	\$14.50
\$15.00 1 Square Top 42x42 Dining Table, at	\$12.00
\$12.50 1 Square Top 42x42 Dining Table, at	\$10.50
\$14.00 1 Square Top 42x42 Dining Table, at	\$11.25
\$8.75 1 Square Top 42x42 Dining Table, at	\$7.25
\$8.50 1 Square Top 42x42 Dining Table, at	\$7.00

Regular Price	Dollar Stretcher Price
\$5.40 Set 6 Dining Chairs, at	\$4.50
\$6.00 Set 6 Dining Chairs, at	\$5.00
\$6.00 Set 6 Dining Chairs, cobbler seat, at	\$5.00
\$6.90 Set 6 Dining Chairs, cobbler seat, at	\$5.75
\$8.10 set 6 Dining Chairs, solid seat, at	\$7.00
\$9.00 Set 6 Dining Chairs, solid seat, at	\$7.75
\$12.00 Set 6 Dining Chairs, solid seat, at	\$10.00
\$13.50 Set 6 Dining Chairs, veneer seat, at	\$11.50
\$10.50 Set 6 Dining Chairs, solid seat, at	\$9.00
\$12.00 Set 6 Dining Chairs, veneer seat, at	\$10.00
\$9.90 Set 6 Dining Chairs, veneer seat, at	\$8.75
\$12.00 Set 6 Dining Chairs, solid seat, at	\$10.00
\$13.50 Set 6 Dining Chairs, solid seat, at	\$12.00
\$15.00 Set 6 Dining Chairs, veneer seat, at	\$12.50
\$18.00 Set 6 Dining Chairs, solid seat, at	\$16.00
\$16.50 Set 6 Dining Chairs, solid seat, at	\$14.50
\$21.00 Set 6 Box Dinners, leather seat, at	\$18.50
\$24.00 Set 6 Box Dinners, leather seat, at	\$21.50
\$33.00 Set 6 Box Slip Seat, at	\$24.00
\$27.00 Set 6 Box Slip Seat, Leather, at	\$20.50

Regular Price	Dollar Stretcher Price
\$7.00 at	\$5.50
\$5.00 at	\$4.00
\$5.50 at	\$4.50
\$4.50 at	\$3.75
\$2.50 at	\$1.90
\$6.00 at	\$4.75
\$4.00 at	\$3.25
\$8.00 at	\$6.00
\$9.00 at	\$7.00
\$10.00 at	\$8.00
\$6.50 at	\$5.25

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ly the best and most durable material, and her gowns are capable of providing changes down the line of five daughters. Sometimes her cloth ones can fill a need for the little boys.

In Washington Mrs. Esch goes through the routine of calling with unflinching courage. She generally remains in La Crosse until after Christmas and Mr. Esch invariably spends his holidays at home. She accompanies him when he returns after the holiday session, and takes up her social duties as naturally as though calling and attending teas and dinners were all that life held dear. It is likely that the Esches will bring their eldest daughter to Washington and present her to society next winter. Mrs. Esch will, however, follow her regular routine this session and leave all but her two youngest children at school in La Crosse with Miss Irene as the house mother.—Philadelphia Record.

Mrs. S. Joyce, Claremont, N. H., writes: "About a year ago I bought two bottles of Foley's Kidney Remedy. It cured me of a severe case of kidney trouble of several years standing. It certainly is a grand, good medicine, and I heartily recommend it." O. T. Erhart.

PROFESSOR STUDIES CHINESE PROBLEMS

MADISON, Wis., Dec. 18.—Social conditions in China are to be made the subject of first-hand study by Professor Edward A. Ross of the University of Wisconsin, department of sociology, who will sail for the Celestial Kingdom Feb. 9 to collect additional material for use in his classes and in sociological publications.

During the months he is to remain abroad, Prof. Ross will investigate such problems as the anti-opium campaign, the effect of missionary work, the growth of education on the western model, the woman question, China's industrial outlook, and population problems. He plans to interview editors, merchants, government officials and educators, in order to gain his information from the people themselves, rather than from books.

WEST AVENUE M. E. SCHOOL PROGRESSIVE

The West Avenue Methodist Episcopal Sunday school believes in being up-to-date, so commencing January 1st it will adopt the new graded lessons of the International Sunday

School Association, for the beginners primary and junior departments and will add the other department graded studies as soon as the Association and the denominational authorities complete their publication. The school not only stands for things best in educational lines but it believes in extending its influence to all those institutions which tend to save life and promote happiness. Consequently at its annual Christmas entertainment it has arranged that each ticket purchased shall be returned as a souvenir of the occasion and stamped with a "Christmas stamp" of the Wisconsin Anti-Tuberculosis Association.

An excellent program has been arranged and will be rendered Christmas night, December 25th.

Foley's Orino Laxative is best for women and children. Its mild action and pleasant taste make it preferable to violent purgatives, such as pills, tablets, etc. Cures constipation. O. T. Erhart.



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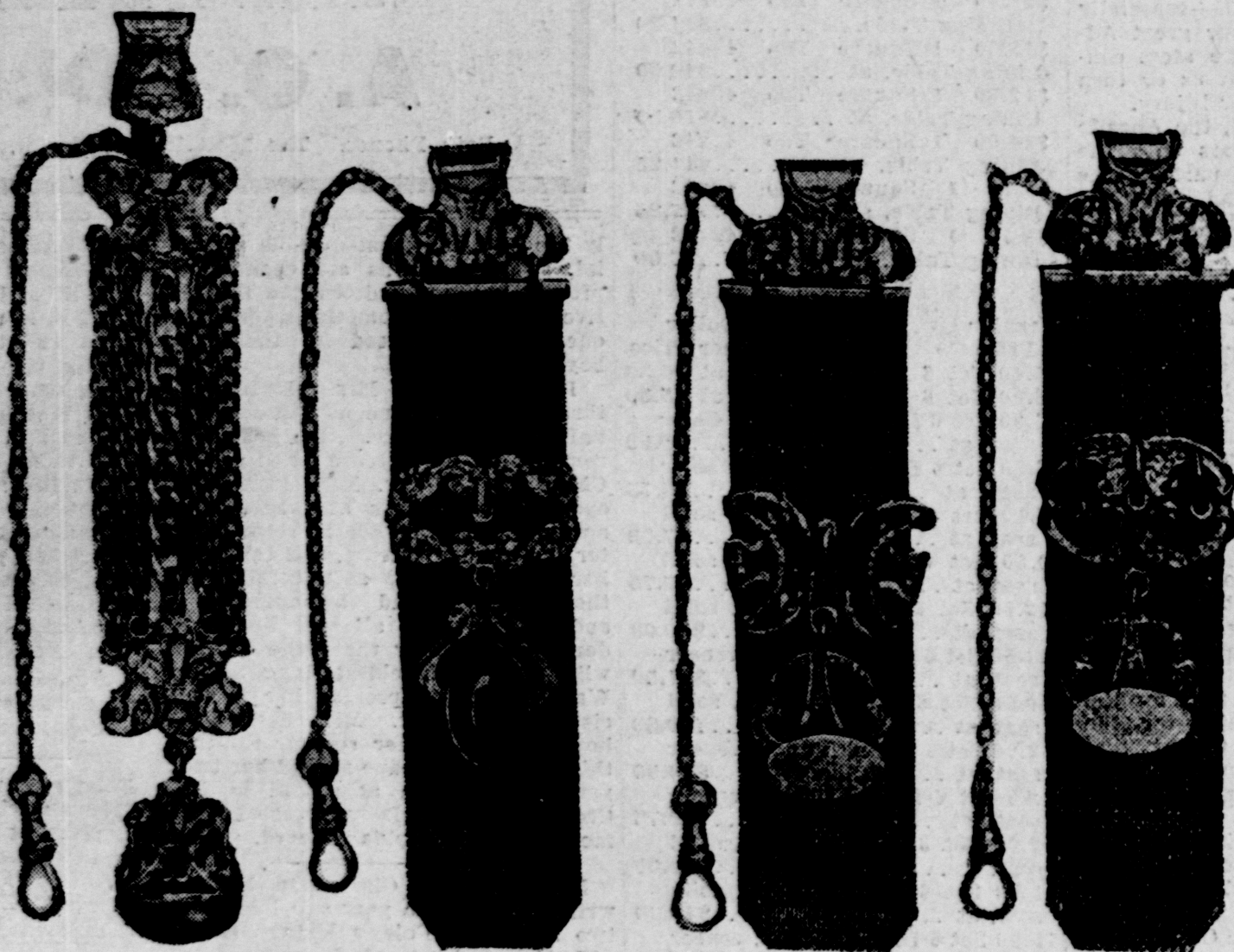
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MINNESOTA AND THE NORTHWEST

DIGGERS DIG FOR BURIED TREASURE

DES MOINES, Ia., Dec. 18.—That nearly \$100,000 in currency and gold is secreted about the home of the late Harvey Lucas, was the surprising discovery of S. S. Lippert while making an investigation of the dead man's effects.

For many years Lucas had been estranged from his family and being afraid of banks, he secreted his money and left no will. Although the hiding place of the store of wealth has not yet been located, men were set to digging in the cellar immediately and it is expected that either the whole or part of it will be discovered.

Only a few days before Lucas was sent to the hospital it is known he received a large sum of money from the Board of Trade in Chicago. Besides this he has been secreting his wealth about the home for several years. Lippert, who has lived with Lucas for a year or more, stated that for several months he has known of an iron box in which Lucas would occasionally place large amounts of currency. This box has disappeared.

ROBBERY STORY IS DECLARED A MYTH

SIoux FALLS, S. D., Dec. 18.—The injury in the case of J. C. Cantonwine, on trial on an indictment charging perjury, last night, after being out only a few hours, returned a verdict of guilty on all counts.

Cantonwine was a merchant of Armour, being rated worth \$150,000. On the morning of Sept. 18, 1908, he created a sensation by declaring that the safe in his store had been robbed

SOCIETY INVOLVED IN "INSURGENTS' " WAR



At Top, Mrs. V. Murdock, wife of Representative Victor Murdock of Kansas; in the center, Representative Victor Murdock, leader of the insurgents in the house; at bottom, Helen Cannon, daughter of Joe Cannon, speaker of the house.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The bitter fight between the administration forces and the "insurgents" in the house is being carried into every parlor and salon in the capital. Women who have refrained from taking any active part in political policies in the past are destined to wield a wide influence during the present session in standing up for the policies of husbands and fathers when the red flag of the "insurgents" is waved by a society dame or matron. The discussion so far has been little more than good natured rivalry, and good taste has forbid bitter discussions. The result is seen in social circles in the two society factions which have grown out of the insurgent row. Mrs. Victor Murdock, wife of Representative Murdock of Kansas, is at the head of the insurgent social set. She has hosts of friends in Washington and is looked upon as the logical leader of her faction, not only because of the political position of her husband, but also because of her cleverness and charming presence. Both factions are making a strong bid for the favor of the wife of the president who has "jarred" society by the announcement of a complete revision of the White house lists.

WISCONSIN NEWS

STRUCK BY FIST; NECK IS BROKEN

WAUSAU, Wis. Dec. 18.—Ferdinand Lambrecht of the town of Hewett was killed this evening in the morning, and later, when they disposed of it, went to the saloon, where they proceeded to treat each other.

It is said that later they became involved in a heated argument and that Lambrecht called Seefeldt names whereupon Seefeldt struck him in the face with his fist. The blow was of such force that it broke Lambrecht's neck, causing his death. Seefeldt was placed under arrest.

"CRAZY OLE" HELD CHARGED WITH CRIME

MEDFORD, Wis., Dec. 18.—Ole Johnson, a woodsman known in this part of the state as "Crazy Ole" who was arrested in connection with the murder of Mrs. Peter Shirley at Hannibal Wednesday, has been brought to the county jail here to protect him against possible mob violence. Mrs. Shirley had been shot through the head, and when found a ten-months' old babe was lying on the mother's breast crying.

A farmers' institute was being held at Hannibal when news of the murder reached the settlements, and the seventy-five settlers, who had come to attend the institute, thoroughly aroused, voiced their opinion that the murderer, when caught, should be summarily dealt with.

Johnson is said to have made a confession to the sheriff.

In the nature of things a wedding isn't a wedding if it proceeds without a hitch.

"RAT" CAUSES LOSS OF WOMAN'S EYE

SHERBOYGAN, Wis., Dec. 18.—Mrs. James Daane, who lives near Sherboyan Falls, is in danger of losing the sight of one eye because of a wound received from a wire from a hair "rat" which pierced the eye. While dressing her hair one day last week one end of the wire struck Mrs. Daane in the eye.

TWO YEARS IN PEN DIETHORN'S FATE

ST. PAUL, Dec. 18.—John F. Diethorn, former financial secretary of Aerie No. 33, Fraternal Order of Eagles, was sentenced to two years in the state prison at Stillwater by Judge Grier M. Orr this morning. Stay of execution of sentence was granted until Dec. 20.

The case in which Diethorn pleaded guilty involved the sum of \$55,750.

Fashionable Hair Creations

An evidence of great merit is the adoption by ladies of fashion of Mrs. Soell's Originality in the Art of Hair effects.

Mrs. Soell's Turban Braid is one of our latest successes and is bringing gratifying results.

Our Hair Goods consists of so many novelties in a variety of shades of hair that we meet the demands of all the fashionable styles.

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Boys' long-wear Shoes, high tops \$4.00
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ACTIVE CANDIDATE FOR GOVERNOR

ST. PAUL, Dec. 17.—With the great political conventions only a few months away, only one man in the entire state is an avowed candidate for the nomination as governor on any ticket. Governor A. O. Eberhart, who became governor on Governor Johnson's death, is a candidate for the republican nomination.

Ripley P. Brower of St. Cloud, Robert C. Dunn of Princeton, and William E. Lee of Long Prairie have been persistently mentioned.

So far as is known, no widow ever eloped.

the night before of \$35,300 in cash.

For some time before the date of the alleged robbery his financial condition was known to have been impaired. After the so-called robbery his creditors, who had aggregate claims of about \$65,000 against him, instituted involuntary bankruptcy proceedings. On the day required by him to make an answer he filed a petition in voluntary bankruptcy.

The indictment against him charged that, besides making a perjured statement to the trustee in bankruptcy relative to his financial condition, he concealed the \$35,300, alleged to have been stolen, in addition to other cash and property, with intent to defraud his creditors.

To a man wealth means power; to a woman the pleasure of being envied.

TRIBUNE WANTS

HELP WANTED-MALE

WANTS wild with joy. No talking. Customers running to get \$3.00 per free with advertising box shaved soap. Outselling everything. Paid promptly. Act quick—be quick. Circulars free. Samples 60c. Tribune Chemical Co., Chicago. 12-18-18

WANTED—Side line salesmen to sell highest grade of post cards and stationery. Easter and Valentine season opens Jan. 1. Good commissions paid promptly. References. Tribune & Co., Chicago. 12-18-18

WANTED—MONTHLY and expenses to advertise, leave samples and collect names. Write Silverton Co., Chicago. 12-18-18

WANTED—A BETTER PLACE? Government salaries are high, steady work. Work is pleasant and profitable. Liberal vacations. No need. Hundreds of vacancies every week, in all parts of U. S. Our agents tell you just how you can get these fine positions. Only ten days for six months trial. Money on request. Send dime or quarter today to Desk 576, Civil Service Record, Washington, D. C. 12-18-18

WANTED—To carry side line; best and largest line of souvenir cards in country. Start 1910 with big money maker. Gartner & Co., Dept. 8, Chicago. 12-18-18

WANTED—On commission or \$75 and up per month with expenses, as per contract. Experience necessary. Premier Cigar Co., Cincinnati, Ohio. 12-18-18

Our illustrated catalogue explains how we teach barber trade in few weeks, mailed free. Moler Barber College, Chicago, Ill. 12-11-17

WANTED—Before the holidays, to replace all the old napkin rings, pitchers, sugar bowls, spoon rests, casters and stove parts. Replaced as good as new, and cost so low. We repair broken parts and plating. Send them along, to 1000 Chestnut street. Folders mailed to you. Old phone 3842. The Novelty Mfg. Co. 11-20-12-31

WANTED—An all-around horseman; a steady job to a steady wage. Phone or wire Oscillating Co., Menominee, Wis. 11-18-17

WANTED—Men to learn the barber trade. Splendid pay after few weeks with us. Shop experience and while learning. Tools, demonstrations, examinations, and diplomas. Big demand for MOLER Barber College, Chicago, Ill. 11-19-17

WANTED—Boys and girls at once. C. C. C. 9-17-17

WANTED—Chambermaid at the Boyette hotel. 12-18-21

WANTED—Make dress shields at home; good pay; material furnished. Stamped envelope particulars. Supply House, Dept. 217, Chicago. 12-18-18

WANTED—20 salesladies at once. Apply General Manager's office, Chicago. 12-17-17

WANTED—Girl to assist with household and care of children. 907 Fifth street. 12-17-20

WANTED—Competent girl for general housework. Call evenings, 1115 South Fifth. 12-16-17

WANTED—Dining room girls at the American house. 12-16-17

WANTED—Dining room girl at Henry & Frank's restaurant, 118 N. 12-15-17

WANTED—Hairdresser and manicure expert, one who understands manhandling of hair goods preferred. L. B. Seel, 515 Main. 12-2-17

FOR SALE—Beagle hound, thoroughly broke and thoroughly trained. 215 Ferry. 12-17-20

FOR SALE—Two brick tenement houses, large lots, also store building with living rooms overhead. All located on Mississippi street. H. E. Egan. 12-11-Sat. 17

FOR SALE—New pecans, Oklahoma pecans new pecans for family use, 16 pounds per pound, Fob. Ardmore, Okla. Cash with order. Ship by express or freight. Oklahoma Pecan Co., Ardmore, Oklahoma. 12-17-18

FOR SALE—\$30 silk lined fall overcoat, sell for charges; size from 40 to 44. La Crosse Dye Works, 112 N. 12-17-20

FOR SALE—Heating stove, burns either wood or coal; reasonable if seen at once. 1115 Market. 12-17-20

FOR SALE—One delivery sleigh, about 12 feet long, used with one or two horses; also one sleigh, inquire at 1027 So. Eighth. Phone 4733. 12-17-17

FOR SALE—Fine stock farm, 310 acres, three miles from Galesville, one of the best in the county. W. Wadleigh, Galesville, Wis. 12-15 m w f 12-24

FOR SALE

One missus coat, navy blue, with large fur collar, full length, in excellent condition; will sell very cheap. Address T. L. M. 10-30-17

FOR SALE—I will offer for sale at the west door of the County Court House on Dec. 23, 1909, at 10:00 o'clock a. m., the following real estate: Lots 6, 7, 8 and 9, block 2, Coster's addition; lots 4 and 6, block 27, Southeastern addition, also lumber shed on lot 6; also a tract of land 128x140 feet, on northeast corner Rose and Monitor streets; also all uncollected accounts of the R. C. Kuhn Sash & Door Company. Joseph Boschert, trustee. 12-13-22

FOR SALE—7 pair attachable sleigh runners for delivery wagons; one cutter; single and double harness. Gateway City Transfer Co. 12-13-18

FOR SALE OR RENT—A good farm of 226 acres. For particulars inquire Thomas & Phalon, 709 Rose street. 8-30-17

FOR SALE—2 h. p. gasoline engine, \$60; almost new. Inquire at Eagle Hotel. 12-6-17

SHORT HORNS FOR SALE or exchange for horses; could use heavy under 10 years old; also want two good farm teams from 4 to 8 years old. W. T. Hartley, La Crosse, Wis. 12-3-17

FOR SALE—Pure bred Toulouse geese an dRose Comb Brown Leghorn cockerels. S. J. Evans, La Crescent. 12-10-23

FOR SALE—Good piano. Price is right. A. Ruhoff, piano tuner. 10-9-17

FOR SALE—Practically new roll top desk. Address Desk, care of Tribune. 12-16-18

FUR RENT

FOR RENT—Jan. 1, seven room flat with bath, heat, light. La Crosse School of Music, 211 South Fifth St. 12-18-17

FOR RENT—Seven room house, modern, hot water heat. Call 718-C new phone. 12-16-17

FOR RENT—Six room modern house after January 1. Inquire 349 So. 20th. New phone 596-C. 12-16-18

FOR RENT—Four rooms and cellar for small family, conveniently situated, \$6.00. Inquire 312 South Third street. 12-13-17

FOR RENT—Six room cottage, gas, electricity. 715 South Seventh. Miss E. Simon. New phone 830-M. 12-9-17

FOR RENT—Fine location for manufacturing plant, third floor double building, with heat, water and power elevator service. 114-116 N. Front street, upstairs. 12-4-17

FOR RENT—Furnished rooms, all modern. Over Tribune office. 11-26-17

FOR RENT—7 room modern house, city heat, 234 So. 7th St. New phone 194-C or 728-M. 3-3-17

FOR RENT—Three office rooms, city heat. Over Arenz shoe store, 323 Pearl street. 6-10-17

MISCELLANEOUS

WANTED TO BUY—A second hand phonograph and records, cheap. 1302 Rose street. 12-18-20

GASOLINE wood sawing. New phone 561-R. 12-18-21

WANTED—To buy 5 or 10 acres just outside of city limits, with or without improvements, suitable for small fruits, garden and poultry. H. E. Rogers. 12-11 sat 17

WE FURNISH SLEIGHS for sleighriders, etc., at reasonable prices. Hodge, 1211 Vine. Phones, old 123; new 445. Give us a trial. 12-17-18

WANTED—Part second hand skis. Address "Skis," Tribune. 12-17-20

REMODELING of ladies' suits and other garments, first class work and prompt service. S. C. Knudsen, 504-506 McMillan Bldg. 12-17-18

CUSTOM TANNING—On cattle hides, horse hides, deer skins treated with the hair on, or off for duckskins. Richards Tannery, 1522 Farnham, 11-2 block east from end of 16th street car line. 11-27-12-26

Positions wanted.

YOUNG MAN ATTENDING school wishes place to work for room and board. Can do all kinds of chores take care of horses, cows, etc. Can furnish references. Address E. O. E., Gen. Del., City. 12-18-21

EMPLOYMENT WANTED—Girl for general housework. Prefer small family. Old phone 4852. 12-17-20

WANTED—Position as bookkeeper or clerk. Inquire 1451 Avon St. 12-16-29

Typewriters. Typewriters for sale or rent. Wells Book Store, 509 Main street. 12-17-20

Architects, Sperintendents. SCHICK & ROTH—Bavarian Bank Building. Telephone 390. 12-17-20

Lost. LOST—Black old fashioned onyx brooch between Gem restaurant and Woodward Supply Co. Return to Gem restaurant. 12-18-20

LOST—Black and green robe. Return to Dr. Kinnear. 12-17-20.

LOST—Gold locket with two sets, between Fifth and Mississippi and Fifth and King. Return to Tribune. 12-17-18

LOST—Between Ferry and Fourth and Main streets, possibly on 16th street car, lady's leather purse containing \$10 gold piece. Return to Tribune and receive reward. 12-16-18

FOR SALE—80 acre farm, near Galesville. A bargain. Fine place. W. S. Wadleigh, Galesville, 12-7-18

FOR SALE—Two musk ox robes. One at Chas. Shorna, Main street; one pair light sleighs and cow. 1029 Cameron avenue. 12-13-18

FOR SALE—Soft coal stove in good condition. 803 South Ninth St. 12-18-21

Insurance.

INSURE your property against tornado. No locality can claim immunity from the devastating cyclone. C. S. Van Auker, agent, 328 Pearl street. 4-22-17

Coast Shipments.

CUT RATES on household goods to Pacific coast and other points. Superior service at reduced rates. The Boyd Transfer Co., Minneapolis, Minn. 12-13-18

Detectives.

LATAMORE & HILER, Detective Agency Merchant Police. Office 317 Pearl. 11-13-17

Funeral Directors.

Fessler & Dahl, funeral directors. 109 South Third street. Open day and night. Both phones 110. 11-13-17

Try This Medicine.

H. W. Barker's Cough Remedy, made at Sparta, Wis. Write for valuable information. For sale by all druggists. 12-13-18

Magazines.

Get our prices on Magazine Clubbing Offers. Wells Book Store, 509 Main street. 11-18-12-18

Real Estate.

FOR RENT. 6 room flat, No. 120 North 10th street. \$12.00. 7 room house, 1519 South 11th street. \$8.00. Brick store, corner Third and King streets. \$28.00.

Fire, Tornado, Plate Glass, Liability, Live Stock Insurance. Bonds, Loans, Notarial Work. C. F. KLEIN, Insurance, Bonds, Notary public. Room 12, Majestic Theater Bldg. 12-18-18

Financial.

LOANS MADE SALARIED PEOPLE, on furniture, pianos, horses, wagons. No removal, no publicity. La Crosse Mortgage & Loan Co., 322 Main street, upstairs. 12-18-18

Watch Repairing.

WATCH REPAIRING—Notice to the public—Having been frequently asked if I was doing anything at my trade, I will say I have made arrangements commencing July 1, to do watch work and engraving at home. Any one in need of my services can find me at 522 State street, or phone 830-A New phone. D. Drummond. 6-26-17

FUR GLOVES

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

State of Wisconsin, in Probate, La Crosse County Court. In the matter of the estate of Elizabeth Barclay, late of the town of Farmington, in said County, deceased. Letters of administration in said matter having been granted to Anna Barclay of La Crosse, Wisconsin, notice is hereby given that six months after the 23rd day of November, A. D. 1909, are allowed to creditors to present their claims against said deceased for examination and allowance; and that said Court will on the 7th day of June, A. D. 1910, at 10 o'clock a. m. of said day, at the Court Room of said County in the City of La Crosse, in said County, examine and adjust all claims and demands of all persons against said deceased. By the Court. JOHN BRINDLEY, County Judge. Dated this 23rd day of November, 1909. J. E. HIGBEE, Attorney for Administratrix.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

State of Wisconsin, in Probate, La Crosse County Court. In the matter of the estate of Nels Pederson, late of the city of La Crosse in said County, deceased. Letters of administration in said matter having been granted to Peter Pederson and Peter A. Rippe, of La Crosse, Wis., notice is hereby given that six months after the 16th day of November, A. D. 1909, are allowed to creditors to present their claims against said deceased for examination and allowance; and that said Court will on the 17 day of May, A. D. 1910, at 10 o'clock A. M. of said day, at the Court Room of said County in the City of La Crosse, in said County, examine and adjust all claims and demands of all persons against said deceased. By the Court. JOHN BRINDLEY, County Judge. Dated this 16th day of November, 1909. JAMES THOMPSON, Attorney for Estate.

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THE DAILY MARKETS

COLD SNAP SENDS PRICE OF EGGS UP

Wholesale Price of Hen Fruit Jumps to 33 Cents This Morning; Storage Eggs at 27c

The cold weather of the past few days has sent the price of eggs soaring, the wholesale price this morning being 33 cents for firsts and 27 cents for storage eggs. No changes were noted in retail prices. An advance of a cent was noted in the wholesale price of butter, creamery being quoted at 36 to 37c and dairy at 33 to 34c.

Fruits (Quoted by J. C. Burns.)

Lemons, 360 and 300 size	\$5.50
Oranges, Valencia	\$3.50
Cabbages, crate	\$1.50
Potatoes, new, bushel	40c
Bananas, Jumbos	\$1.50 to \$2.25
Celery, dozen	25c
Onions, red globes, bushel	30c
Figs, Col. 12 pkgs.	80c
Dates, Hallowell, 60 lbs. box	\$5.00
Peaches, Col. Elbertas, box	\$21.20
Pears, per box	\$2.50
Pears, per bushel	\$2.00
Cranberries, Capt Cods	\$7.00
Grapes, Concord	17c
Grapes, Tokays, crate	\$1.35
Grapes, Malaga	\$1.10
Sweet Potatoes, Virginias	\$2.00
Oysters, per gallon	\$1.10

Flour and Feed (Quoted by the Listman Milling Co.)

Flour	
Patent, per bbl.	\$8.80
Straight, per bbl.	\$5.60
Mill Feed	
Bran, per ton	\$21.00
Shorts, per ton	\$21.00
White middlings, per ton	\$23.00
Red Dog, per ton	\$27.00

Cheese (Prices do not include sacks.) (Quoted by Ice Cream & Butter Co.)

Full cream twins	16c to 17c
Full cream daisies	17c
Full cream young Americas	17c
Full cream long horns	17c
Full cream brick	16 1/2c
Full cream limburger	16 1/2c to 17c
Full cream round Swiss	20c
Full cream block Swiss, (5 and 6 to box, weighing 25 to 35 lbs. each)	19c
Creamery butter, lb.	35c

Grain (Quoted by Thomas & Phalon.)

Wheat	98c to \$1.05
Rye	60 to 63c
Barley	48 to 60c
Corn	55 to 60c
Oats	38 to 40c

Livestock (By Langdon & Boyd Packing Co.)

Hogs	\$6.50 to \$7.40
Dressed hogs	10 to 10 1/2c
Steers	\$2.50 to \$4.50
Heifers	\$2.00 to \$3.50
Cows	\$1.50 to \$3.50
Lambs	\$4.00 to \$5.00
Sheep	\$2.50 to \$3.50

Poultry

Chickens	8 to 9c
Spring chickens	9 to 10c
Turkeys, lb.	12 to 12 1/2c
Ducks	9c
Geese	8c

Provisions

Lard, per lb.	15 to 15 1/2c
Hams	15 to 15 1/2c
Shoulders	12 1/2c
Bacon	18 to 20c
Dry beef	17 to 19c

Hay and Wood (Quoted by City Scales.)

Hay, tame, per ton	\$10 to \$11
Wood, per cord	\$5.50 to \$6.00

Butter and Eggs (Quoted by Hawley Com. Co.)

Creamery butter, lb.	36 to 37c
Dairy, per lb.	33 to 34c
Eggs, firsts, per dozen	33c
Eggs, storage, per dozen	27c

RETAIL MARKETS (Quoted by A. B. Moll.)

Dairy butter, lb.	33c
Eggs, strictly fresh	32c
Creamery butter	33c
Parsley, per bunch	6c
Cabbage, each	5c
Potatoes, bushel	50c
Carrots, per peck	20c
Green peppers, dozen	15 to 20c
Wax beans, lb.	12 1/2c
Lettuce, 2 bunches for	5c
Fresh mushrooms	75c
Pineapples, each	15 to 20c
Head lettuce	15 to 18c
Shallots, bunch	3c
Cauliflower	15 to 25c
Oranges, dozen	20 to 40c
Bananas, dozen	15 to 20c
Lemons, dozen	25 to 30c
Cucumbers, each	12 1/2c
Spinach, peck	30c
Hubbard squash	10c
Vegetable oysters	5c
Radishes	8c
Endives	5 to 8c
Turnips, peck	20c
Beets, peck	20c

Chicago Cash Grain (CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—Cash wheat: No. 2 red, \$1.28 to \$1.29; No. 3 red, \$1.20 to \$1.26; No. 2 hard, \$1.19 to \$1.20; No. 3 hard, \$1.10 to \$1.17; No. 1 northern, \$1.18 to \$1.20; No. 2 northern, \$1.16 to \$1.18; No. 3 spring, \$1.10 to \$1.17. Corn—No. 4 yellow, 57 3/4; rest nothing doing. Oats—No. 3 white, 44 1/2; No. 4 white, 43; rest nothing doing.

Chicago Produce (CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—Butter: Creamery extras, 34; firsts, 30; dairy extras, 27; firsts, 24 1/2. Eggs—Prime firsts, 26 1/2; firsts, 35. Cheese—Twins, 16 to 16 1/2; daisies, 16 1/2; young Americas, 16 to 16 1/2. Potatoes—According to choice, 40 to 50; market steady. Live Poultry—Turkeys, 17; fowls, 12 1/2 to 13; spring chickens, 11 1/2 to 12; ducks, 13 to 14; geese, 10.

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Comparative Markets

These quotations show the General Standard of Prices for the Previous Week

LIVESTOCK YESTERDAY

CHICAGO, Dec. 17.—Cattle 4,000, steady; hogs, \$3 to \$3.30; Texas, \$3.80 to \$4.70; western, \$4 to \$6.30; stockers and feeders, \$3 to \$5.10; cows and heifers, \$2 to \$5.40; calves, \$7 to \$8.50. Hogs 28,000, strong; light, \$8 to \$8.45; mixed, \$8.20 to \$8.60; heavy, \$8.25 to \$8.65; rough, \$8.25 to \$8.40; Yorkers, \$8.30 to \$8.40; pigs, \$7 to \$8. Sheep 12,000, steady; natives, \$5.50 to \$5.60; western, \$3.75 to \$5.65; lambs, natives, \$5.75 to \$5.80; western, \$5.75 to \$5.80.

LIVESTOCK A WEEK AGO

CHICAGO, Dec. 10.—Cattle 4,000,

Novel and Useful Gifts

Christmas Cards and Calendars

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slow and weak; heaves, \$4 to \$8.75; cows and heifers, \$2.10 to \$5.65; Texas, \$3.80 to \$4.80; stockers and feeders, \$3.10 to \$5.25; western, \$4.25 to \$7; calves, \$7 to \$9.15. Hogs, 20,000, strong to 5 cents higher; light, \$8 to \$8.50; mixed, \$8.10 to \$8.60; heavy, \$8.20 to \$8.35; rough, \$8.20 to \$8.65; pigs, \$6.90 to \$7.85. Sheep, 10,000, strong; natives, 3.50 to \$5.80; western, \$3.75 to \$5.80; lambs natives, \$5.75 to \$8.15; western, \$5.75 to \$8.15.

FOREIGN MARKETS

WHEAT—

Dec.	116 1/4	110
May	112 1/4	108 3/4
July	102	99

OATS—

Dec.	61 1/2	60
May	65 1/2	64
July	65 1/2	63 1/2

CORN—

Dec.	43 1/2	43 1/2
May	44 1/2	44 1/2
July	42 1/2	44 1/2

New York Stocks

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—The stock market opened active and strong, railroad issues showing particular prominence. L. & N. moved up 2 1/2 points and Atlantic coast line over a point. Steel common was strong. 11 a. m.—The market ruled active and strong throughout the first hour. Consolidated Gas was up over two points. Copper was strong and Steel common particularly active. In government bonds the two registered and the two coupon advanced 3-8 and 1-4 respectively; others strong. The market closed generally active and strong.

Kansas City Livestock

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 18.—Cattle receipts 2,000, steady; native, steers, \$4.75 to \$7.25; southern cows, \$2.75 to \$4.15; native cows and heifers, \$2.75 to \$6.50; stockers and feeders, \$3.25 to \$5.10; bulls, \$3.25 to \$4.75; calves, \$3.50 to \$3.25; western steers, \$3.75 to \$5.75; western cows, \$2.75 to \$4.75.

Hogs 5,000



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Ladies' black Hand Bags, 12 inch frame, combination of seal and calf, leather lined, at \$7.00.

11 inch genuine seal Bags, lined with red, tan, black and green leather; with card case and coin purse, at \$7.50.

Gentlemen's Collar Bags, in suede and goat, silk lined, tan, brown or gray, at \$1.50.

Collar and Cuff Boxes, imitation leather, black only, 50c and \$1.00.

Dress Patterns

Probably nothing will please her more than a carefully selected dress pattern.

Plain and Fancy Silk WAIST PATTERNS, in neat holiday boxes, at \$1.98 to \$7.50. Silk DRESS PATTERNS in attractive holiday boxes, at \$6.00 to \$18.00.

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White, pink, sky, lavender, rose, pale green, and maize, at \$2.50 and \$1.25 the pair.

Christmas Umbrellas

Ladies' umbrellas—American tafeta, taped edges, paragon frames, steel rod, nice assortment of plain and fancy handles. Priced at \$3.50, \$3.00, \$2.50 and \$2.00.

Ladies' umbrellas, made of silk tafeta paragon frames. Gold, silver, pearl with gold or silver, fancy wood with sterling caps, at \$6.00, \$5.00, \$4.50 and \$4.00.

A FEW CHRISTMAS SUGGESTIONS OF UNUSUAL VALUE

Plain Silk Scarfs in all colors, at 50c and \$1.25.
Fancy Persian Scarfs, at from 50c to \$2.50.

The very latest styles in Jabots and Fancy Neckwear, put up in neat holiday boxes, at \$1.00, 75c, 50c and 25c.

Japanese linen Drawn Work Squares, hemstitched, 6-inch, 10c; 12-inch, 15c; 18-inch, 19c; 24-inch, 25c; 18x54, 25c; 30-inch, 39c; 18x54, 69c.

French Cluny Lace Doilies, beautiful patterns, 6-inch, 25c each; 8-inch, 38c each; 12-inch, 50c each; 18-inch, \$1.25 each; 24-inch, \$1.98.

Satin Damask hemstitched Towels, 21x12. Large rose pattern. A beautiful gift. At 50c.

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IN THE CHURCHES

First Congregational Church
Main and Seventh streets, Henry Paville, pastor. Morning worship, 10:30 a. m. Theme "Prophecy and preparing for Christmas. Bible school at noon. Topic for men's

class "The plagues of Egypt." Leader, Dr. E. A. Reed. Vesper service, 7:30 p. m. This service will be held in the auditorium, with an address by Rev. Wm. Burgess upon "A play of the Conscience" illustrated by

Shakespeare's Richard III. Annual meeting of the church Wednesday evening, 7:30 p. m.

First Methodist Episcopal Church
King and 8th streets, Rev. A. Lincoln Shute, pastor. Class meeting, 9:30 a. m. Public worship at 10:30 a. m. Subject "Journeying to Canaan." Sunday school, 12 m. Epworth league, 6:30 p. m. At 7:30 p. m. the pastor concludes his report of the National Convention of the Anti-Saloon league. Christmas prayer-meeting, Wednesday, 7:30 p. m., followed by the Health Club exercises and business at 8:30. Sunday school Christmas entertainment, on Thursday at 7:30 p. m. sharp, with a cordial welcome to all.

First Baptist Church
Sixth street between King and Main, Rev. John E. Aves, pastor. Morning service at 10:30. Subject if sermon, "Vanguard Voices." Sunday school at 11:45. Young people's meeting at 6:30. Evening service at 7:30. Subject of sermon, "Some Mottos Old and New." Colton Mission Sunday school at 3:00. Special meeting of the B. Y. P. U. at 6:30. Important business for consideration. Every member is asked to be present. Emphasis placed on congregational singing at evening service.

Emmanuel Evangelical Church
Emmanuel Church of the Evangelical association, Twelfth and Vine, Rev. Umbreit, pastor. Sunday school at 9:15 a. m. Morning service at 10:30. Evening service at 7:30 p. m.

First Church of Christ Scientist
First Church of Christ, Scientist, King street, between Fifth and Sixth streets. Sunday service at 10:30 a. m. Subject, "Is the Universe, Including Man, Evolved by Atomic Force?" Wednesday testimonial meeting at 7:45 p. m. Reading room open every week day from 2 to 5 p. m. in the church.

Reformed Church
Corner Fourth and Market streets, F. W. Lemke, pastor. Regular services.

German Baptist Church
Corner Seventh and Winnebago streets, E. Berger, pastor. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Sunday morning service at 10:45. Evening service at 7:30. Wednesday evening prayer meeting. The Christmas entertainment will be held Monday evening, the 27th of Dec.

Westminster Presbyterian
Westminster Presbyterian church, Redfield street. Morning service at 10:30. Sunday school 11:30. Christian Endeavor meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30.

Y. M. C. A., Seventh and Main streets. Abner G. Gran, general secretary. Men's meeting every Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

Y. W. C. A.
Y. W. C. A. Vesper services at 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon at the Y. W. C. A. building. Miss Robertson of the state normal school leader with the Normal Glee club furnishing the music. A vesper tea will be served at 5 o'clock, following the service.

Peoples' Sunday School
People's Sunday school meets in Traveler's hall, Linker building, corner of Fourth and Main streets, Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

Norwegian Lutheran
Norwegian Lutheran church, corner of Sixth and Division streets. Rev. H. G. Magelsson, pastor. Regular services.

German M. E. Church
German Methodist church, corner Seventh and Ferry, J. L. Panzlau, pastor. Sunday school, 9:15 a. m. Sermon, 10:30 a. m. Epworth league will be held at 6:45 in the evening.

Christ Church (Episcopal)
Christ Church (Episcopal), corner Ninth and Main, Rector, Rev. C. N. Moller; organist, Mr. Urquhart. Services for fourth Sunday in Advent: 8 a. m., holy communion; 9:30 a. m., Sunday school; 10:45, morning service; Benedicite, Brewer in G; Benedictus, Garrett in E flat; anthem, "O Pray for the Peace." Knox. 7:30 evening service; service, Joy in D; anthem, "Turn Thy Face," Sullivan.

German Lutheran Church
German Lutheran church, Twelfth and Cameron avenue, the Rev. J. T. Gamm, pastor. Sunday, 10 a. m., regular services. Sunday school at 9 a. m.

English Lutheran Church
The English Lutheran Church of the Holy Trinity, West avenue and Ferry street, Rev. J. J. Clemens, pastor. Fourth Sunday in Advent. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Chief service at 10:45 a. m. Lecture under auspices of the W. H. & F. M. society. Subject, "Passavant and the Protestant Deaconess' Work in the U. S." at 7:30 p. m. Admission free to all, but free will silver offering will be taken.

St. Paul's Universalist Church
Eight and Cass street, Rev. J. S. Lowe, pastor. Regular preaching services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school at noon. Y. P. C. U. meeting 6:30 p. m. Theme of morning sermon: "The Heroic Element in Human Life."

Spiritualist Association
The Progressive Spiritualist Society of La Crosse will hold a meeting at the parlors of Mrs. Holmes, 924 Main street Sunday evening at 7:45 o'clock. Mrs. Catherine McFarlin, president of the state association will lecture and give some Psychic Readings. Everybody is cordially invited to attend.

West Ave. M. E. Church
West Avenue near Jackson street, W. P. Cunningham, pastor. Morning worship, 10:30 a. m. Sermon subject "Santa Claus and Christmas." Sunday school at 11:45 a. m. Epworth league at 6:45 p. m. Evening worship at 7:30 p. m. Sermon subject "Knowledge is power." Wednesday, 7:45 p. m., prayer meeting. Saturday, Christmas day, at 8 p. m., Christmas exercises.

First Presbyterian Church
Morning service at 10:30. Evening service at 7:30. Sunday school at 12 m. Junior Endeavor at 3 p. m. Christian Endeavor at 6:30 p. m. Subject of morning sermon "The Incarnation." Evening "The Prevailing Religious Ideas in the Time of Christ. First class music by the choir.

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